



# CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE



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## Avalanche changes hands, kept in the family

► No immediate changes expected as new owners take the helm

For the first time in 36 years, *The Crawford County Avalanche* has new owners.

Richard and Donna Milliman have sold the newspaper they have owned since 1967.

The new owners are their children: Teresa Milliman Fitzwater, Dirk Milliman and Ann Marie Milliman, who announced the purchase of the newspaper company from their parents.

All currently are active in the family newspaper business.

"We are very pleased to be assuming responsibility for such a fine newspaper as *The Avalanche*," said Dirk Milliman, president of the new company. "Ownership of *The Avalanche* is something we've been preparing to do for a long time, and now our dream has come true."

"We have a sound staff in place

now, headed by Linda Golnick as general manager, who produce a fine newspaper every week. We want to continue to grow in the Grayling area, and to provide *Avalanche* readers and advertisers with the highest quality newspaper possible for their money."

The new owners said they plan no immediate changes in the personnel or operations of the newspaper.

Teresa, Dirk and Ann Marie Milliman also have purchased from their parents *The Three Rivers Commercial News* and *Penny Saver*, a daily newspaper and weekly shopping guide, which the Millimans acquired in 1981.

Richard Milliman's Michigan newspaper career began almost 60 years ago, selling ads and writing sports and news stories at his hometown newspaper in Coldwater.

His first newspaper purchase was in 1967 when he put together a small investing group to purchase *The Crawford County*

*Avalanche* from Bob and Eva Strong.

Included in that purchasing group were two long time Grayling residents and *Avalanche* employees -- the late Howard (Whitey) Madsen, who became editor and publisher, and Leroy Papendick, who became mechanical superintendent and was in charge of the job printing department.

In 1984, Milliman bought out the other investors and he and Donna Milliman became sole owners of the newspaper. Whitey Madsen and Leroy Papendick both continued with *The Avalanche* until their retirements.

Dirk Milliman, president of the new operating company, earned an associate's degree in printing from Ferris State University and bachelor's degree in journalism from Central Michigan University (CMU), where he is on the school's journalism advisory committee.

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Dick and Donna Milliman (seated left and center) signed over the ownership of *The Crawford County Avalanche* to their children, Dirk, Teresa and Ann Marie, last week. The next generation of Millimans also have taken over ownership of the daily *Three Rivers Commercial News* and weekly *Penny Saver* shopping guide. *Three Rivers* is located in southwest lower Michigan, near the Indiana state line.

## DARE to get help from local 'celebrity servers'

► Big Boy to donate 10 percent of sales, all tips to DARE, March 5

The management of Big Boy Restaurant in Grayling will host a special event next Wednesday evening, March 5, to raise money for the local DARE program.

DARE is an anti-drug, anti-alcohol, and anti-violence program presented each year to students in the Crawford AuSable School District, through the Crawford County Sheriff's Office.

The program is funded locally by donations from the communi-

ty, businesses, fund-raisers such as the annual golf outing, and a small amount of grant funding.

On March 5, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., several local "celebrities" will be serving customers and giving 100 percent of their tips to DARE. Big Boy will also be donating 10 percent of its sales earned during the three-hour period. Specials that evening will be T-Bone Steak for two at \$20 and the Seafood Dinner Buffet for \$11.95 per person.

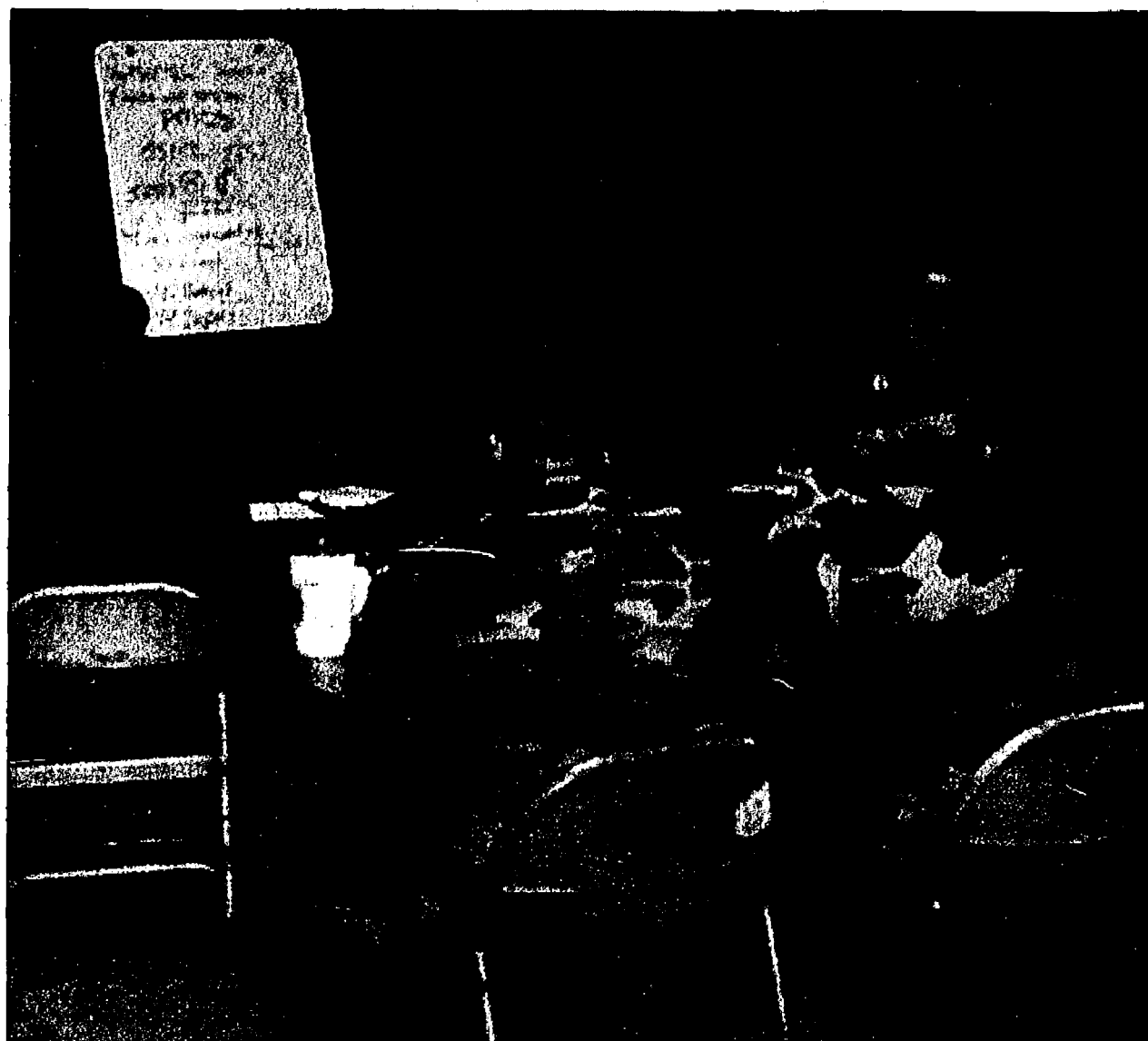
Celebrity servers that evening will be Sheriff Kirk Wakefield, Undersheriff Shawn Kraycs, DARE Coordinator/Deputy Randy Herman, Elementary Liaison Officer Bill Bonkowski, Crawford County Avalanche

General Manager Linda Golnick, *Avalanche* reporter Cheryl Ruley, School Superintendent Milli Haug, School Board Member Jim Tobin, and Grayling Middle School Assistant Principal Jeff Branch.

Many of the servers worked at a Big Boy restaurant as teenagers, including Herman, Branch, Golnick and Ruley. Because it has been years since most of them have carried a tray or taken a food order, the celebrities will be receiving help from the Big Boy waitstaff and kids from the DARE program.

Come out and have your favorite "celebrity" wait on you and help raise money for a worthy program.

## Called to duty



Members of the 1438th receive instruction from CW2 Bruce Ward about their impending departure to serve overseas in Operation Enduring Freedom/Noble Eagle. State Senator Michelle McManus was on hand Monday at Camp Grayling to wish the troops good luck and ensure their families will be taken care of during their tour.

Soldiers of the 1438th Engineer Detachment based out of Camp Grayling have been preparing to deploy overseas and received a good luck send-off from state Senator Michelle McManus (R-Lake Leelanau) on Monday.

"There is no greater sacrifice an American can make than to fight for their country, and by speaking to the soldiers of the 1438th Engineer Detachment, I wish them the best of luck in their upcoming crusade," McManus said.

The senator said it was an honor and privilege to stand before the men and women of Camp Grayling and speak to

them prior to "the patriotic journey they are prepared to embark on."

The 1438th Engineer Detachment (Utility), 507th Engineer Battalion, Michigan Army National Guard stationed at Camp Grayling has received notification of a Presidential Call-Up in support of Operation Enduring Freedom/Noble Eagle.

The unit is mobilized at Camp Grayling and is preparing their equipment for departure. Their final destination has yet to be confirmed, but orders are expected to be updated within a week to 10 days.

"I am honored to take part in this event to send our soldiers off with our heartfelt sentiments to fight for our nation," McManus said. "These men and women are already our heroes, and we will be right here waiting for them when they return safely to Camp Grayling."

McManus' husband served in Operation Desert Storm as a member of the 182nd Transportation Company, giving her first-hand knowledge of the need to support the troops and their families once deployment activities begin and throughout the tour of duty.

## CITIZENS MARCH FOR PEACE



Photo by Susan Warrington

Fourteen protesters, carrying signs asking for peace, met at the Grayling city park the morning of February 22 to let their voices be heard regarding a possible war in Iraq led by the United States. As they marched back and forth along James Street in the wind and cold, the demonstrators heard from both supporters and detractors. The march was organized by two groups, the Peace and Justice Committee of St. Mary's Catholic Church and the Peace Without War Committee of Crawford County, a newly formed grass roots organization. The group also listened to speeches, sang and prayed for peace.

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## Supporting the troops brings honor

### Local woman receives 'Patriot Business Award'

"Stitches by Sue" owner, Sue Louchart, was recently honored with the American Patriot Business Award for 2003.

The "American Patriot Business Award" is presented each year to a community business leader who demonstrates unselfish commitment, faithful customer focus, and dedication to all the United States Armed Forces that have trained at Camp Grayling.

The 2003 award was presented to Sue Louchart owner of Stitches by Sue on February 13 at Camp Grayling Headquarters.

"Sue does an outstanding seamstress job on military uniforms. Many out-of-state soldiers mail their uniforms and patches to her even when they aren't scheduled to train at Camp Grayling, simply because of the quality of work she does," said Colonel Dennis D. Hull, Camp Grayling Commander.



Photo courtesy of Camp Grayling

Ken Louchart accompanies his wife, Sue, who owns and operates "Stitches by Sue," as Camp Grayling Camp Commander Col. Dennis Hull presents her with the American Patriot Business Award for 2003 at Camp Headquarters.

## Emergency Management Coordinator honored

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

Local 911 Central Dispatch Director and Emergency Management Coordinator, Larry Akers, was presented last week with a framed resolution passed by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, honoring a recent accomplishment.

Earlier this year, Akers was named the 7th District Coordinator of the Year for 2002 by the 16 other Emergency Management Coordinators in the 17-county district.

Lt. Mike Tilley, of the Michigan State Police Emergency Management Division, said, "I oversee 17 county emergency management programs and they could eliminate my job if all were as organized as Crawford County's."

In the past year alone, Akers has worked with the local hospital, district health department, law enforcement and emergency

responders to develop Bioterrorism planning within the county, in case of an emergency.

For many years, Akers has ensured the county's preparedness by conducting disaster exercises. The resolution states, in part, "Larry has excelled at bringing all the players in disaster response together to work on plans and reaction training... making sure Crawford County had disaster plans in place and people were aware of the plan..."

The presentation and reading of the resolution by County Chair Lynnette Corlew took place at the County Board of Commissioners February 19 regular meeting, acknowledging and applauding "the unseen service" Akers has delivered to the citizens of the county throughout the years.

Akers has been an employee of Crawford County for nearly 21 years and will continue to serve a dual role for the county.



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

Crawford County Board Chair Lynnette Corlew congratulates Central Dispatch Director and Emergency Management Coordinator Larry Akers for being named 7th District Coordinator of the Year for 2002.

## Jury convicts armed robber

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

It took jurors only about 30 minutes February 20 to return three guilty verdicts in the case of a local man accused of robbing a local gas station at gunpoint last fall.

Roger Bruce Matt, age 35 of Grayling, faced one count each of Armed Robbery, Possession of a Firearm during the Commission of a Felony, and Possession of a Firearm by a Felon as his case was presented last week before Judge Dennis F. Murphy in 46th Circuit Trial Court.

Matt was accused of robbing the Admiral gas station on the I-75 Business Loop in Grayling in the early morning hours of

September 3, 2002, fleeing on foot, then speeding away on a motorcycle he had hidden near the expressway.

Law enforcement caught up with him when he crashed the motorcycle near Sharon and Fletcher Roads in Kalkaska County.

Michigan State Police Troopers arrested Matt and found he was carrying two guns and a large amount of cash. Matt fit the description of the robbery suspect issued by Crawford County Dispatch immediately following report of the crime to the Grayling City Police.

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# Don't panic in an emergency – Prepare!

## ► Households, businesses should prepare kits, develop a plan

President George W. Bush raised the Homeland Security Advisory System threat level to High Condition -- Orange (meaning a high risk of terrorist attacks) on February 7. An emergency can occur quickly and without warning.

The Michigan State Police advise the most important thing you can do to keep yourself and your family safe from any emergency is to prepare, stay calm, and follow instructions from emergency personnel.

Michigan residents face emergencies every year -- from snowstorms, tornadoes, floods, forest fires, chemical spills and other occurrences. National security threats are also part of the risks that we face.

"You should be ready to be self-sufficient for at least three

days," said Capt. John Ort, Commander of the Emergency Management Division of the Michigan State Police.

"This may mean providing for your own shelter, first aid, food, water, and sanitation. Discuss with your family or household what you would do in the event of a disaster. Teach children how to respond to emergencies. Give them a sense of what to expect. It is encouraged that adults explain the dangers of fire, severe weather, power outages, or any type of disaster."

For years, many people living in earthquake-prone areas like California have prepared and keep fresh earthquake disaster kits because the natural disaster often leaves residents without electricity, natural gas and running water for various periods of time.

No matter where one resides, such a kit is a smart thing to have around because disasters happen all across our country.

The kit should contain: non-perishable high energy food that

requires little or no preparation; bottled water enough for three days; a flashlight with fresh batteries and an extra supply of batteries; emergency candles and at least one book of matches; a week's supply of any prescription medication needed by members of your household; a first aid kit; and a battery-operated radio and spare batteries to help keep you in touch with important news and announcements.

Other recommendations to consider when keeping your family prepared for an emergency:

- Develop a household disaster plan; have a meeting to discuss what family members will do. Plan to work together as a team.

- Have available a list of emergency contact telephone numbers, including fire, police, and local hospitals. Keep your cellular phone charged if possible.

- Be observant of any suspicious activity and report it to authorities. The very nature of terrorism suggests there may be little or no warning.

- Work together with your local school to ensure emergency procedures are in place.

- Apartment residents should discuss emergency procedures with their building managers.

- Talk to your neighbors to discuss how you can help each other in the event of a disaster.

The following web sites can provide additional information and resources:

Michigan Emergency Management Division at [www.mspemd.org](http://www.mspemd.org).

FEMA "Are You Ready?" at [www.fema.gov/areyouready/](http://www.fema.gov/areyouready/).

FEMA for Kids Guide to National Security Emergencies at [www.fema.gov/kids/nse/](http://www.fema.gov/kids/nse/).

Department of Homeland Security at [www.dhs.gov](http://www.dhs.gov).

American Red Cross at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org).

Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

Citizen's Corps at [www.citizenscorps.gov/ready/cc\\_pubs.shtml](http://www.citizenscorps.gov/ready/cc_pubs.shtml).

## Emergency preparedness planning continues

### ► President upgrades terrorist threat level to orange or 'High'

In an effort to inform several local agencies about emergency planning activities under way since October 2002, Mercy Hospital Grayling recently hosted local government officials and first responders at a videoconference meeting, broadcasted to 13 hospitals in northern Michigan and the House of Representatives in Lansing.

Michigan received grant fund-

ing from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Health Resources and Services Administration for the purpose of developing a bioterrorism protection plan for Michigan communities.

Michigan's bioterrorism preparedness plan has been designed to integrate with the existing state and local Emergency Management infrastructure. Northern Michigan is Michigan State Police Emergency Management District 7, which includes 18 counties, 13 hospitals, nine medical control authorities, and seven public health departments.

Each region has been assigned a Bioterrorism Coordinator, Medical Director, Epidemiologist, and National Pharmaceutical Stockpile Coordinator.

The planning has been a collective effort involving emergency medical services, hospitals, health departments, fire departments, police, Red Cross and other agencies engaged in homeland defense and emergency management activities.

The plan includes actions to strengthen county Emergency Management plans, develop disease surveillance systems, enhance communication between entities, and develop readiness capability such as hazardous material decontamination, training, and resource directory development. The smallpox response plan is also part of this initiative.

The Terrorist Threat Condition has been upgraded to Orange or a high threat level.

The public is encouraged to be alert to your surroundings, look for suspicious activities, particularly at or near critical facilities, and report suspicious activities to local law enforcement by calling 911.

All citizens need to organize emergency supply kits and discuss emergency plans with family members. Suggestions for family and business disaster kits can be accessed at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org).

Presentations to community groups can be scheduled by calling Crawford County Emergency Manager Larry Akers at 348-4911, Roscommon Emergency Manager John Bawol at 275-7911, or Mercy Hospital's Director of Emergency Services, Pattie Walker at 348-0355.

## Southard receives 2002 Huron Pines Award



Joe Kutkuhn (right) presented Steve Southard with the 2002 Huron Pines Award.

Steve Southard, an owner and manager of Ray's Canoeing and The Fly Factory in Grayling was the recipient of the 2002 Huron Pines Award. He was presented with a plaque during the Huron Pines Resource Conservation and Development Area Council Inc.'s Annual Meeting held at the Hillman Knights of Columbus hall February 1.

Southard was recognized for taking the initiative to make stormwater management a priority in the AuSable River Watershed and for his perseverance and tireless efforts to work with a broad coalition of partners. His work has been significant in raising funds for the City of Grayling stormwater campaign.

Huron Pines Resource Conservation Area Council, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that facilitates grassroots access to federal, state and private programs that promote economic viability through conservation, responsible stewardship,

and sustainable use of natural resources. With its office in Grayling, Huron Pines RC&D serves 11 counties in northeast Michigan (Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, and Roscommon).

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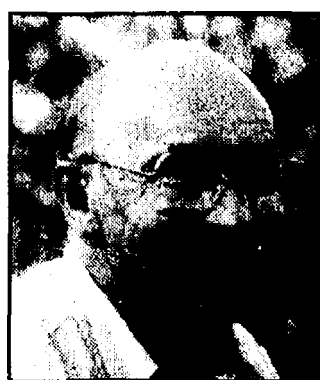
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## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

### Governor Granholm knows how to compromise

GOVERNOR JENNIFER GRANHOLM has indicated she knows when and how to compromise.

It's a skill she may have to call upon time and again during her first four-year term as governor.

So far her compromising abilities have only been exhibited publicly in a squabble within the Michigan Democratic party.

Shortly after her election in November, Ms. Granholm said she wanted a long time supporter, defeated secretary of state candidate Melvin (Butch) Hollowell, to head the state Democratic party.

Usually that's the prerogative of the party's candidate for governor in the latest election, when that candidate wins.

But it didn't happen this time. Mark Brewer has been

Democratic state chair for several years he wanted to keep the job.

So the stage was set for a classic standoff, with the incumbent Brewer -- whose main claim to recent fame is that he has presided over a diminished Democratic presence in elective state office -- and a new-broom fresh candidate in Mr. Hollowell, who was enticed to run for secretary of state by the new-broom fresh gubernatorial candidate Jennifer Granholm.

THE NEW GOVERNOR twice asked the old party chair to step aside, and each time Mr. Brewer said no.

But a public party-rending battle was not to be. Instead, at their recent state convention, Michigan Democrats created a

new position for Mr. Brewer.

Butch Hollowell was elected state Democratic chair all right, but Mark Brewer was elected executive Democratic state chair.

Mr. Hollowell will keep his daytime job in a big statewide law firm, and Mr. Brewer will keep his full time paid job running the nuts and bolts of the state party on a day to day basis -- which he has been doing for several years.

According to published reports, the Michigan UAW and former U.S. Representative David Bonior carried the load for Mr. Brewer, successfully bucking the new governor in her first test of strength with the old line party powers. Ms. Granholm, of course, defeated Mr. Bonior in a sometimes bitter Democratic primary last year, and besting the

UAW in the process.

"The irresistible governor met the immovable union, and the two-seat chairmanship was born," wrote Chris Christoff in *The Detroit Free Press*.

Reported *Detroit News* columnist Pete Waldmeir: "To avoid a bitter and divisive floor battle -- Granholm cut a Solomon-like deal under which each of the men got half of the baby."

WHAT HAPPENS now?

When a political party holds the governorship, the power of that party's chair usually diminishes rapidly. The chair usually is a mere water carrier for the governor.

The sitting governor usually runs the party from the governor's office, with the governor's staff and supporters doing much

of the nitty gritty of every day politics, in a very friendly arrangement.

That's the way long-serving Democrat G. Mennen Williams used to do things, and that's the way long-serving Republican John Engler operated, too.

With Mark Brewer as full time paid "executive chair," Governor Granholm may have to trim her sails even more.

She issued a statement that the new Hollowell-Brewer set up "speaks to inclusion, partnership and outreach."

Not really. What it speaks to is the notion that big labor won't give up its hold on the party's inner structure, and chooses to tolerate rather than embrace the new Democratic governor.

With Republicans holding power in both houses of the leg-

islature, the attorney general and secretary of state offices, and the state supreme court, Democrat Granholm likely will be forced to compromise her programs and her desires quite a bit.

With the structure of her party effectively in the hands of lukewarm friends -- if not entirely controlled by her political enemies -- she may have to compromise even more on the political front.

Jennifer Granholm may end up with nobody solidly in her corner except the people who elected her -- the majority of Michigan voters.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

## EDITOR

### Threat of war fracturing solid alliances

To the editor,

I ran across this the other day and thought it was well worth sharing. It's a part of a speech by U.S. Senator Robert Byrd on the present Bush administration (delivered on the Senate floor, February 12, 2003).

"To contemplate 'war' is to think about the most horrible of human experiences. On this February day, as this nation stands at the brink of battle, every American on some level must be contemplating the horrors of war.

"Yet, this Chamber is, for the most part, silent -- ominously, dreadfully silent. There is no debate, no discussion, no attempt to lay out for the nation the pros and cons of this particular war. There is nothing.

"We stand passively mute in the United States Senate, paralyzed by our own uncertainty, seemingly stunned by the sheer turmoil of events. Only on the editorial pages of our newspapers is there much substantive discussion of the prudence or imprudence of engaging in this particular war.

"And this is no small conflagration we contemplate. This is no simple attempt to de-fang a villain. No. This coming battle, if it materializes, represents a turning point in U.S. foreign policy and possibly a turning point in the recent history of the world.

"This nation is about to embark upon the first test of a revolutionary doctrine applied in an extraordinary way at an unfortunate time. The doctrine of preemption -- the idea that the United States or any other nation can legitimately attack a nation that is not imminently threatening but may be threatening in the future -- is a radical new twist on the traditional idea of self-defense.

"It appears to be in contravention of international law and the U.N. Charter. And it is being tested at a time of worldwide terrorism, making many countries around the globe wonder if they will soon be on our -- or some other nation's -- hit list.

"High level administration figures recently refused to take nuclear weapons off of the table when discussing a possible attack against Iraq. What could be more destabilizing and unwise than this type of uncertainty, particularly in a world where globalism has tied the vital economic and security interests of many nations so closely together?

"There are huge cracks emerging in our time-honored alliances, and U.S. intentions are suddenly subject to damaging worldwide speculation.

"Anti-Americanism based on mistrust, misinformation, suspicion, and alarming rhetoric

from U.S. leaders is fracturing the once solid alliance against global terrorism which existed after September 11."

It is still not too late to let our Representatives and President know what we think about a potential war. Violence begets violence. Our future rests in our voices of opposition to war.

• President George W. Bush, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20500; Comment line: (202) 456-1111; president@whitehouse.gov.

• Senator Carl Levin, 269 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-2202; phone (202) 224-6221; e-mail senator2@levin.senate.gov.

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• Rep. Bart Stupak, 2352 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515-2201; phone (202) 225-4735; e-mail stupak@mail.house.gov.

Mary Beth Brady  
Member, Peace Without War  
Committee of Crawford  
County  
Grayling

### Case for war not proven

To the editor,

The drums of armed conflict sound louder and faster with each passing hour. America's greatest treasure, its youth, is leaving behind tearful spouses, children, friends, and family. They leave with their powerful weapons for killing, maiming and wounding fellow human beings because their government has told them in the mistaken belief that this action will rid the world of terrorism and anti-social behavior.

Along with their weapons, vehicles and aircraft with guided missiles the Pentagon will also be sending the infamous body bags which will possibly be used for some of our brave service men and women because no matter how powerful America is militarily, surely as the sun rises, some of our brave people will needlessly die and also untold numbers of Iraqi civilians, possibly including women and children, in an armed conflict for the disposing of a despot of a country which contains an abundant supply of black gold -- oil.

In Desert Storm, America suffered 766 casualties which included 300 deaths in a 100 hour war. How many lives will be lost if this war continues for a protracted time? In this upcoming conflict with Iraq, our political leaders are proposing to destroy an existing government in a foreign country and occupy this country until a new government can be formed which will be friendly to America and sell us a much oil as we need.

The media has reported that Arab terrorist groups have

vowed more attacks on American soil if we attack Iraq. Has Washington turned a deaf ear to these possible attacks against our people and our institutions? I have read that the terrorists have said that the Twin Towers was a Sunday picnic in comparison to future attacks. Are we to trust our leaders to protect us against these attacks? Homeland security cannot protect every situation.

Our military is confident they will prevail in this conflict but according to a weekly news magazine (*U.S. News and World Report*) there are six deadly fears that might have to be confronted: (1) Iraq unleashes its suspected chemical and biological weapons on our troops; (2) Saddam makes a last stand in Baghdad causing house to house fighting; (3) Iraq's oil fields are blown up; (4) Saddam places human shields in harms way; (5) Iraq gives its suspected weapons of mass destruction to terrorist groups; (6) Iraq descends into chaos which could cause America to occupy Iraq for years to come. This amounts to nothing more than Imperialism. This is what Israel has been doing in the West Bank, Gaza strip and Golan Heights since 1967 with no end in sight.

In my opinion, armed conflict is not an answer in this situation which may destabilize the whole Mid-East region. Let the U.N. inspectors do their job of inspecting for these suspected weapons. How many innocent lives will be lost? The war weary world is tired of war and only wants peace.

Unrest in the Middle East has already started. U.S. troops are already in Northern Iraq and Iran has dispatched troops there also. The U.N. inspectors must be given any amount of time to do the necessary inspections so war and death can be avoided.

If we go to war are we in violation of international law and the U.N.? If America is attacked we have a right to defend ourselves. If America attacks Iraq does not Iraq have the same right to defend itself? Which country will be next to be invaded? North Korea, Iran, or possible Cuba in the name of ridding the world of terrorism?

World opinion is against us. On the weekend of February 15 and 16 millions of people the world over participated in an anti-war march. Our President has said he does not base his decision to go to war on the popular peace movement world wide. The Vatican has publicly stated that this incursion into Iraq is an unjust war.

George Bush has not proven to many people in this country that armed conflict is necessary at this time. Iraq poses no immediate threat to the United States at the present time.

To disapprove of war against Iraq is not being unpatriotic. I am not against America or for Iraq but for world peace. Our right to free speech and objection to government policy is what makes this country great. Let's keep it that way!

Dennis Meyers  
Grayling

### We must speak for ourselves

To the editor,

It is estimated by our Defense Department, according to a recent news report I heard on Public Radio, that 3,000 innocent Iraqi citizens and maybe thousands more may be killed by our bombs and missiles if we go to war in Iraq. The report stated that 15 percent of our bombs will not hit the targets for which they were intended. It was explained that, "we just don't have the technical capacity to be 100 percent accurate."

Never in our history as a nation has it been our foreign policy to

preemptively cause that kind of mass killing. And then, if the initial bombing doesn't get the job done, our troops will go in on the ground and be in such harm's way. These are our mothers and daughters, fathers and sons, granddaughters and grandsons who may have their lives snuffed away, leaving families and a nation full of overwhelming grief again. How can it be that our great nation can even be thinking of committing such a humanitarian disaster? It is unconscionable!

That is just one of the reasons

that I, along with millions of others in our country and the world are protesting the threat of war by any peaceful means that we can think of, including protest marches which are taking place every week -- everywhere. If our politicians will not speak for the people then we, the people, will have to speak for ourselves.

God bless our country - God bless our troops - and God help America to be a blessing to God and the world.

Barbara Soule  
Grayling

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### Almost Home

In cloudless skies of brilliant blue,  
The shuttle finally came in view.  
Its mission finished - home in sight,  
The nation watched the ending flight.

The stage was set, each detail planned  
For Astronauts about to land.  
We watched the shuttle's path in awe,  
So unprepared for what we saw.

Sudden disaster in the sky -  
A glowing object streaking by -  
Its vapor trail filled with debris,  
The craft was doomed, it was plain to see.

It dropped abruptly from afar,  
While blazing like a falling star.  
It plunged to earth, we saw it all -  
The shuttle's death - the final fall.

All seven souls were lost in space,  
They vanished - gone without a trace.  
That precious cargo of the craft,  
Courageous crew - the shuttle's staff.

God's watched with pride, in every case,  
Man's exploration trials in space.  
He took the crew before the crash,  
They're safe with him - and home at last...

Joan Dickerson-Peters  
February 10, 2003



# BRIEFS

## Good supply of flu vaccine on hand

District Health Department #10 officials state Michigan is currently experiencing an increase in influenza illness and would like the public to know there remains a good supply of influenza vaccine available in the community. Officials advise citizens call their medical provider or the local Health Department office, at 348-7800, for more information. Signs of influenza illness are: high fever, altered mental status, unusual neck soreness or stiffness, sudden severe and persistent headaches. If children develop such severe illness, they should be taken in for immediate medical evaluation.

## Sen. Stamas to hold office hours

State Senator Tony Stamas (R-Midland) will be holding office hours on February 28, from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, at the Ogemaw County Building - Conference Room A, (806 West Houghton Avenue in West Branch) to give the public an opportunity to express their opinions or who need assistance with a state issue. Sen. Stamas plans to hold office hours throughout the 36th District which includes Alcona, Alpena, Crawford, Gladwin, Iosco, Midland, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, and Otsego counties.

## Boy Scouts plan spaghetti dinner

Boy Scout Troop 995 will hold a spaghetti dinner fund-raiser this Friday, February 28 at the Grayling Eagles (on Huron Street in Grayling) from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost for the all-you-can-eat dinner is \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children ages five to 12 years, and \$20 for families up to six. Children under age five eat free. Troop 995 is a new troop in Grayling, chartered by Airway Automation and run by Scoutmaster Jim Pickell.

## Church offers Vacation Bible School

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, located at 400 Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will host a winter Vacation Bible School at the church for three consecutive Saturdays, March 1, 8, and 15 from 9 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. for all children ages preschool through 6th grade. The theme is "Treasure Hunt." For more details, call the church office at 348-2974.

## MENSA to hold admission testing

Mensa Admissions Tests (High I.Q.) will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 1 at Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City in the Beckett Building, Room 148. Cost is \$30; call (231) 275-6735 to pre-register.

## Church plans all-you-can-eat lunch

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, located at 400 Michigan Avenue in Grayling, invites everyone to a luncheon of hot and/or cold foods on Thursday, March 6, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Make your own sandwich, etc. Salad and dessert are included. Take-outs will be available. Cost is \$5 per person.

## Eastern Star to hold regular meeting

Grayling Chapter #83 Order of Eastern Star (OES) will be holding its stated meeting on Wednesday, March 5 at 7:30 p.m.

## Church plans Shrove Tuesday supper

St. Francis Episcopal Church, located on M-72 West in Grayling, will be sponsoring its Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, March 4, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., with menu featuring plain, blueberry, and potato pancakes with sour cream and smoked sausages. A donation is requested and 10 percent of all proceeds will be given to outreach.

## Retired state employees to meet

The regular meeting of North Central Area Chapter #19, State Employee Retirees Association, will be held beginning at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4 at the Houghton Lake Community Building. All retired state employees and their spouses are encouraged to attend.

## Kick-off planned for Relay for Life

The Kick-Off Breakfast for the Crawford County Relay for Life is scheduled for Thursday, March 6 at 7:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn in Grayling. Anyone interested in being part of this year's Relay for Life is encouraged to attend.

## Central Avenue featured at next dessert concert

The Crawford AuSable Arts Community Cultural Events Program will present "Central Avenue," with Dr. David Gillingham, in the latest of a series of the 2002-2003 Special Performances this Thursday, February 27.

The event, to be performed in the Evergreen Room at the Grayling Holiday Inn, is considered a "dessert concert," complete with a coffee break of homemade cookies, brownies, soft drinks, coffee and tea.

Doors open at 6:45 p.m., with the performance to begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 each, \$10 for students and senior citizens, and are available at the Crawford AuSable School's Central Office located at 403 Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

For more information, call (989) 348-7146.

This event is made possible by a partnership with area businesses and corporations, and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, a partner of the National Endowment for the

# Three local blood drives scheduled

## ► March is American Red Cross month; donors needed

March is American Red Cross month and is celebrated nationally. Three blood drives are scheduled March 4-6 in Crawford County.

The blood donors in Crawford County turned out in large numbers for the January 8 Grayling Community Blood Drive held at the American Legion Hall and sponsored by M.A.T.E.S. Over 80 units of blood were collected. The Red Cross appreciates the understanding conveyed from those who could not be processed at the January 8 drive.

Using Component Therapy, each unit was manufactured into three life-saving blood products for hospital patients.

The following people donated for the first time on January 8: Angela Barnes, Timothy Conley, Edward Duncan, Janet Gooch, Howard Hayes, Charles Puzjak, Janis Smith and Cecilia Southard.

Gallons pins were also issued:

One Gallon - Penny Alimenti, Ronald Herron and Bonnie Hogston; Four Gallons - Kathleen Baker; Six Gallons - James Lawless; Seven Gallons - Ralph Good and Linda Harrison; Eight Gallons - Michael Wargo; and 13 Gallons - Joseph Rozenek.

The Crawford County American Red Cross Blood Drives will be held:

• Tuesday, March 4 at Hard Bodyz Sports Center, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.;

• Wednesday, March 5 at Grayling High School, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.; and

• Thursday, March 6 at Frederic Elementary School, from 12 noon to 5:45 p.m.

All are welcome to roll up their sleeves and donate -- students, senior citizens and adults. Donors must be at least 17 years of age and weigh at least 110 pounds. Type "O" blood is especially in demand. Nurses will be available to answer any questions.

For more information about the local drives, call 348-2821 or contact the American Red Cross at 1-800-GIVE LIFE, ext. 210.

# Local history buffs invited to meeting

The Wellington Farm Folk extends an open invitation to anyone interested in local history, agricultural history or the Great Depression to attend their next meeting.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, March 4 at the Lone Pine Restaurant in Grayling, beginning with a traditional family supper at 6 p.m., followed by the business meeting and entertainment and/or education.

A presentation will be made in an effort to entice farmers to come to Crawford County. Much of the business portion of the meeting will be dedicated to the establishment of interpretive teams which will operate the living history farm during the 2003 season.

Wellington Farm Park is a 60-acre open-air museum located on Military Road near Grayling. It depicts life on a typical northern Michigan farmstead during the

Great Depression.

The complex contains eight major buildings and many smaller structures and displays. During the 2003 season, the park will be open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday beginning June 13. The complex is operated by interested individuals who volunteer their time to act as guides, interpreters and workers.

Anyone interested in knowing more about Wellington Farm Park or possibly becoming a volunteer should plan to attend the March 4 meeting. Those who plan to attend are asked to call the Lone Pine and make reservations.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

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Week ending February 23 - \$25 each: Sharon Johnson, Arby Pepsin, Bill Golnick, Betty Hawley, David Brannan, Sandy Thompson.

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# The Bible Speaks

## Snake Creates Chaos

Recently I read a report about a huge snake that slithered into a church in Uganda. The snake silently coiled around the leg of the chair where the minister was kneeling in prayer. The congregation sat with their eyes closed praying but fled the church in disarray when their eyes were opened. The minister frantically tried to convince the frightened Christians to remain calm by assuring them this was possibly God's power being revealed in the form of a snake. Finally, he dropped his Bible and fled as the flat headed snake slowly uncoiled and moved toward him. Many in the congregation laughed afterwards and commented that "sometimes we are blinded by our religious beliefs which can easily put us in trouble."

The Ugandan pastor should have known from the Bible that Satan first tempted Eve in the Garden of Eden in the form of a serpent. His first question was, "Yea, hath God said?" Eve should have replied "Yea, God hath said!" But Eve was deceived, convinced her husband Adam and they both sinned by rejecting God's Word and believing Satan's lie. They allowed Satan to twist God's words into his lie.

Our column, "The Bible Speaks from Calvary Baptist Church" has tried to apply God's truth to contemporary world issues. We believe God's truth when spoken with heart conviction can give faith and hope to others. God's word is always logical,

consistent and coherent to believing hearts and minds.

We live in the last days before the return of Jesus Christ. While promising God will answer the prayers of His saints, He raised a serious question in Luke 18:8b: "Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" While faith comes from believing God's word, (Romans 10:17) the last days will end with the world still ignorant of God's word. Bible prophecy reminds us also that a global antichrist and false prophet will one-day rule the world. God warned His people in Amos 8:11: "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD"

Today, Satan is entering churches while many people still have their eyes closed. The Bible God gave them is being corrupted and perverted. Ministers are trying to convince them to stay in their churches by ascribing the work and power of Satan to God. They are being encouraged to support the National and World Council of Churches which have a history of being both anti-Christian and anti-American. Ministers still believe they are promoting God's work, even as the serpent is uncoiling and moving toward them. No wonder many people have been abandoning organized religion and churches. They sense the danger, but they don't know who to trust or

where to go. As Jesus said, they are like sheep without a shepherd.

I have warned Christians for 31 years, "don't put your trust in me, or any other preacher, trust only in God and His Word for your final authority. If the Holy Spirit does not guide you through His Holy Scriptures to affirm the message of any preacher, reject it! As Paul said in Acts 17:11, even the most noble Christians who received his message also "searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so." As Jesus said in Matt. 10:16b: "be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves." Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Website at <http://www.i2k.net/cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday.

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## MILITARY NEWS



Col. Dennis D. Hull and Lt. Col. David R. Wesoloski

Lt. Col. David R. Wesoloski of Grayling, a member of Maneuver Training Center, Michigan Army National Guard, was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal by Col. Dennis Hull, Camp Commander.

Wesoloski was recognized for outstanding meritorious service as Commander, 107th Engineer Battalion (mechanized). Lt. Col. Wesoloski's exceptional leadership brought the desired results in readiness that serves as a medal for all battalions to follow.

His development of improved staff coordination and operations has been evidenced by his selection for a tour of duty to Latvia. Lt. Col. Wesoloski's superb organizational skills, great initiative, and total dedication to duty reflect great credit on him, the Michigan Army National Guard, and the United Army.

Wesoloski has been a member of Maneuver Training Center. He is a full time employee at Camp Grayling. He assigned as the Director of Logistics.

Patrick L. Lamie has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force after graduating from Officer Training School (OTS) at Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Alabama.

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Lamie is a navigator trainee assigned to the Pensacola Naval Air Station, Florida.

He is the son of Thomas F. and Julie M. Lamie of Grayling.

The lieutenant graduated in 2001 from Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit.

The Crawford County Avalanche encourages all service members in all branches of the military to name our newspaper as your hometown paper with your Public Affairs Officer.

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**SUNDAY**  
Psalm 25

**MONDAY**  
Psalm 36

**TUESDAY**  
Psalm 136

**WEDNESDAY**  
Psalm 138

**THURSDAY**  
Isaiah 54:1-17

**FRIDAY**  
Jeremiah 31:1-14

**SATURDAY**  
Luke 18:1-14

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Sunday School.....10:30 am

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Sunday Worship.....8:30 & 11 am  
Sunday School - Sept. - May  
Adult Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School.....11 am  
(Childcare Available during 11:00 service)  
Bible Study (Wed).....10:30am

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Pastor Jeff Arthur  
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Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East  
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Church Service.....9:30 am  
Saturday.....9:30 am  
Sabbath School.....10:30 am  
Prayer Meeting.....7 pm

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Sunday School.....10 am  
Chapel Service.....11 am  
Wednesday  
Prayer Meeting.....7-8 pm

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Daniel Baldermann-Associate Pastor  
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Early Service.....8:30 am  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Service.....11 am  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

**Emma Lowery United Church Of Christ**  
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Adult and Youth  
Sunday School.....9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.  
1/4 mile west of I-75  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday.....7 pm

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Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor  
701 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Church 348-8885  
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Sunday School.....9:30 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday - Family Night  
Adult-Youth-Children.....7 pm

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Sunday  
Worship.....10 am & 7 pm  
Wed. Prayer Service.....7 pm

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Sacrament.....10 am  
Sunday School.....11 am  
Primary.....11 am  
Priesthood.....12 noon  
Relief Society.....12 noon

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Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278  
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Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Service & Children's Church.....11 am  
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Monday Prayer Meeting.....7 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. John Lutheran (ELCA)**  
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Sunday School.....9:15 am  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

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Church School.....9:45 am  
Preaching.....11 am  
Midweek Service Prayer.....7 pm

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Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
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Wed. Men's Bible Study.....12 noon

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Saturday Vigil Mass.....6 pm  
Sunday Masses.....8:00 am  
Family Mass.....10:00 am  
Scripture Study (Sundays).....9:15 am  
Daily Masses.....8:30 am  
Wednesday & Fridays.....8:30 am

**First Baptist Church of Frederic**  
Pastor Dale Hammond  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. Francis Episcopal**  
M-72 West  
Office 348-5850  
Sunday Holy Eucharist.....8:30 & 10:30 am

**Resurrection Life Church**  
Pastor Jimmie McWatters  
Grayling Days Inn Conference Room  
Sunday Service.....10:30 am  
Phone: 231-536-7933, Fax: 231-536-3046  
Wednesday.....7 pm  
(call or e-mail for directions)  
Website: [www.rlcnow.com](http://www.rlcnow.com)  
E-mail: [pastorjim@rlcnow.com](mailto:pastorjim@rlcnow.com)

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor  
M-72 West  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Mid-Week Services  
Wednesday.....7 pm  
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) 7 pm

**Church of Christ**  
Scott Hoffer, Pastor  
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd.  
275-8613  
In Search of the Lord's Way  
TV 29 & 8.....9 am  
Sunday Classes.....10 am  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening.....6 pm  
1st Sunday Evening of every month there is no service.  
Wednesday  
Mid-Week Bible Study.....7 pm

**Abundant Life Tabernacle**  
Pastor Lyle Studer  
211 Shellenbarger St.  
348-5325  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday  
Worship.....11 am & 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening.....7 pm

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
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Pastor Terry Colby  
705 Madsen St. • Grayling  
348-2557  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday Service.....7 pm

**Bear Lake Christian**  
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.  
Sunday School.....9 am  
Sunday Service.....10 am

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Durfee  
2247 Durfee Lane  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Morning Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

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Worship Service.....11 am & 6 pm  
Family Training Hour and Prayer Wednesday.....7 pm

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Saturday Worship.....5:00 pm  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

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# Avalanche changes hands, kept in the family

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He is a past president of the Michigan Press Association (MPA), and continues as MPA's legislative chair. He also is past president of the Michigan League of Home Dailies, a group of smaller daily newspapers in the state.

Dirk continues as Editor and Publisher of *The Three Rivers Commercial News*, and also has been operating the family's weeklies in Albion and Marshall. He formerly worked at *The Grand Rapids Press* and newspapers in Grand Ledge, Howell and East Lansing.

His wife, Penny, also worked at *The Grand Rapids Press* and in the family newspapers. She founded and now operates Fabermill Designs, specializing in children's and family photography. They have two children.

Teresa Milliman Fitzwater is

vice president and secretary of the company. She studied at Cambridge University in England and has a journalism degree from CMU.

After college, Teresa spent several years with Itek Computer Systems where she traveled throughout the United States to instruct employees how to use new Itek computer typesetting systems.

She worked two years as an editor for McGraw Hill-Datapro Division in New Jersey, and as assistant publisher of a weekly in Cherry Hill, NJ. While living in Boulder, CO, she was a competitive analyst for NBI computer company.

Teresa began her newspaper career in the billing department at the *Grand Ledge Independent* (a family newspaper), and has worked as a bookkeeper, reporter, composition director,

editor, general manager and publisher at newspapers in Rogers City, Marshall, Albion and East Lansing.

She has four teen-aged children.

Ann Marie Milliman is vice president and treasurer of the new company. She earned bachelor and master's degrees in English at Michigan State University.

She has helped run the family business since 1982, and worked as a reporter in Three Rivers. She met her husband, Mike Epstein, while they both worked as reporters on the *Three Rivers* news staff.

Ann Marie has been publisher of *The Avalanche* since Whitey Madsen retired. Mike Epstein is a high school teacher. They have three children.

Late last week, Richard and Donna Milliman sold their two

other Michigan newspaper properties:

*The Albion Recorder* and *The Penny Saver* were purchased by Bettie Watson, owner of Salesman Publications in Jackson.

*The Marshall Chronicle* was purchased by J-Ad Corporation, a family publishing company owned by the Jacobs family and based in Hastings.

Both Richard and Donna Milliman will remain on the board of directors of the Three Rivers and Grayling newspaper companies, offering advice and counsel to the new owners. He intends to continue to write, his popular, weekly column, *The Almanack*.

But for the first time since they acquired *The Avalanche* in 1967, they will have no ownership interests or responsibilities in any newspaper.

## So you'd like to run for the school board?

The 2003 Candidates Guide to School Board Elections published by the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) has some tips for anyone wishing to run for a school board position.

Some of the questions asked about becoming a school board member include: "Are you willing to take the time to study current education issues with the same effort and interest you exert in your own business or personal affairs? Are you ready to fight the uphill battle to improve education for our youth with dwindling resources and escalating costs? When voting on the issues, are you always willing to put learning first and give priority to what's best for children?"

Prospective board members should have answered yes to these questions and several others in the booklet.

Among the qualities listed to become a good board member are: The ability to rely on facts, be open-minded, respect others ideas, suggestions and criticisms, be able to accept the will of the majority, and show courage in thought and action to safeguard good schools for all children.

The booklet also states that to render educational leadership, the board member will have to do a lot of "homework."

For more information or to purchase a copy of the Candidates Guide contact the MASB at 1-800-968-4627 or on the web at info@masb.org

## State ratings of CASD due in March

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

The state's new accreditation system, *Education YRS!* will issue each building in each school district a letter grade. Previously, this grade was determined strictly by the results of MEAP testing.

Using the new system, 2/3 of the score is earned by MEAP results and 1/3 by the self evaluation each building must do in eleven criteria.

The staff in each building must evaluate and document progress in curriculum alignment, continuous improvement, performance management systems, teacher quality and professional development, arts education and humanities for all students, extended learning opportunities, family involvement, student attendance

and dropout rate, four-year education and employment plan, and school facilities.

The school district expects to receive the grade for each building in March.

## Local School Board will change in June

The terms of Gary Pettyjohn and Melvin Nunn expire at the end of this school year. Nunn will not seek re-election.

Applications for the two School Board positions must be filed no later than Monday, April 7 at 4 p.m. in the District Central Office Building.

Nominating petitions may be picked up at the Central Office, 403 E. Michigan Avenue. As a result of Public

Act 157 of 2002, board of education candidates now have the option of paying a nonrefundable filing fee of \$100 at the Central office, 403 E. Michigan Avenue, instead of filing a nominating petition. The payment has the same deadline as the nominating petition.

The election is set for Monday, June 9.

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Leaves Grayling	5:00 p.m.

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Leaves Grayling	11:30 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	3:30 p.m.
Leaves Grayling	5:00 p.m.

**M-72 EAST**

Leaves Grayling	6:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	7:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	9:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	11:30 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	1:30 p.m.
Leaves Grayling	3:30 p.m.
Leaves Grayling	5:00 p.m.

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Arrives Back In Grayling: 4:00 p.m. (Approximately)

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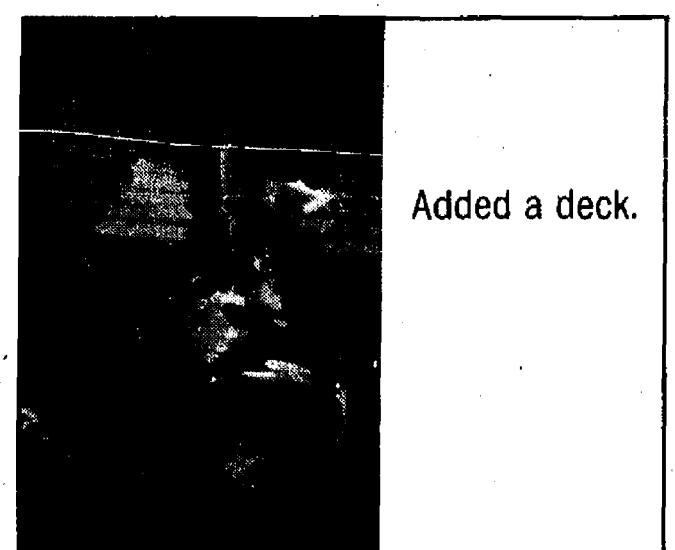
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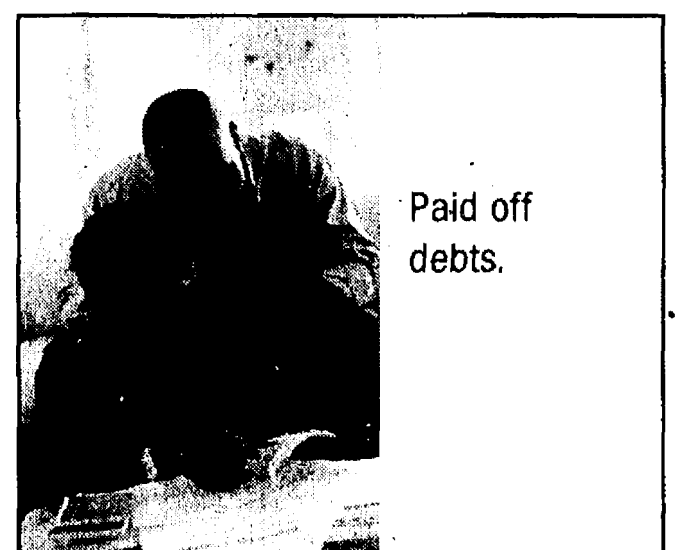
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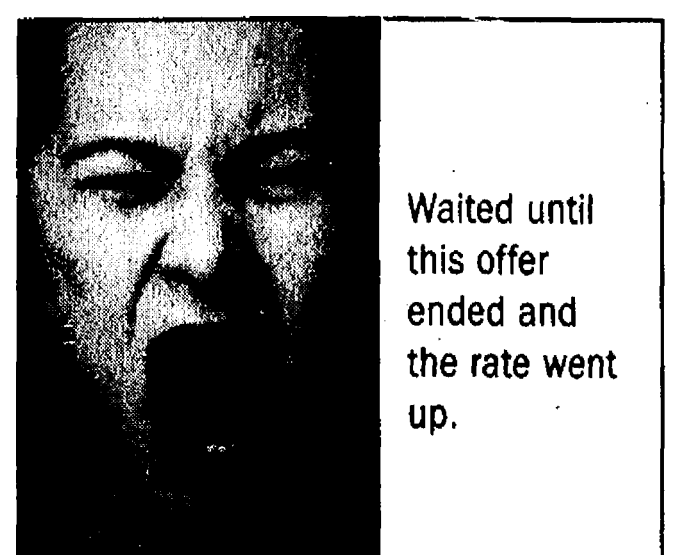
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## Locals to vie for Michigan Junior Miss title



Miranda "Andi" Holzbauer  
2002 AuSable River Valley Junior Miss



Shayla Moore  
2002 Grayling Junior Miss

Two local young women will be among 22 young women from around the state, all high school seniors, who will arrive in Alpena this Sunday, March 2, all vying for over \$10,000 in cash scholarships and over \$1.2 million in college tuition scholarships in the 45th annual Michigan Junior Miss Scholarship Program.

Along with the title of Michigan Junior Miss, the winner will have a chance to represent the state of Michigan at the nationally televised program, "America's Junior Miss," in Mobile, Alabama on June 28. The program will be aired on the PAX cable/satellite network. This year's theme is "Life is a Party with Michigan Junior

Miss."

The state winner will be named following the program on Saturday, March 8 at the Stanley C. Beck Auditorium in Alpena and after a week of Junior Miss activities.

Grayling Junior Miss Shayla Moore and AuSable River Valley Junior Miss Miranda "Andi" Holzbauer, both seniors attending Grayling High School, will be representing Crawford County at the state competition. Moore is the daughter of Steven and Sandra Moore of Frederic, and Holzbauer is the daughter of Clyde and Nadine Holzbauer of Grayling.

The girls' weeklong stay in Alpena will be a very busy one. Besides the very vigorous rehearsal schedule, they'll be taking part in a career/job shadowing seminar and several learning opportunities from other seminars being planned by the Junior Miss committee.

They will visit Alpena's Public Safety building where they will participate in a mini-course on self-defense, first aid and CPR.

They will also visit a local elementary school and work with the students on one of the America's Junior Miss programs, "Be Your Best Self," and take a shopping trip to the many unique shops in the Alpena area.

They have also been invited to a special luncheon with one of the cash scholarship donors, Alpena Kiwanis Club. While in Alpena, the contestants will be lodging with host families.

Tickets for the March 8 finals, which begin at 7 p.m. sharp, are \$17 for main floor seating and \$12 for upper balcony seating. Tickets are available on a first come, first served basis by writing: Michigan Junior Miss Tickets, PMB #198 P.O. Box 1200, Alpena, MI 49707-7001 or call (989) 356-1439.

## GE student's poetry selected for publication



Published author Susan Harrington is in the fifth grade at Grayling Elementary School.

Susan Harrington, a fifth grade student at Grayling Elementary School, was selected for publication in *Kaleidoscope 2003*, a collection of student writings assembled by the Michigan Reading Association. Susan's piece is titled *Lover Boy*.

Susan loves to write and is currently working on a science fiction story. She enjoys reading and outdoor activities. Susan is the daughter of Donna Harrington.

*Kaleidoscope* in its twelfth year of publication, celebrates the talents of Michigan's young authors. Each school may submit one piece of writing to be published. This year's participants represent 120 schools across the

state. The authors, kindergarten through high school seniors, address a wide variety of topics.

In addition to becoming published authors, the students are also invited to attend a special luncheon at the Michigan Reading Association Annual Conference, March 9 at Grand Rapid's Grand Center.

### LoverBoy

Some people laugh, some  
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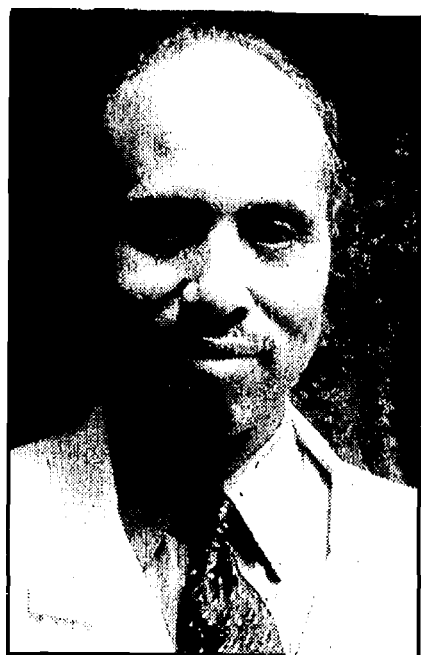
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## Hospital welcomes new Emergency physician



Artee Hammond, Jr., M.D.

Dr. Artee Hammond, Jr., M.D., has joined the Emergency Medicine Department of Otsego Memorial Hospital.

"My goal is to offer empathetic, courteous, conscientious care while still providing the best in medical care," said Dr. Hammond.

Dr. Hammond has been practicing medicine for more than 20 years. He completed his undergraduate work at Princeton University and graduated from medical school at the University of Illinois Medical Center. Dr. Hammond is Board Certified by the National Board of Medical

Examiners and the American Board of Internal Medicine.

"I enjoy working with a variety of patients and conditions," said Dr. Hammond. "The Emergency Department gives me the chance to do so while allowing me an opportunity to use a wide range of skills."

Dr. Hammond sees a wide variety of patients and injuries while working in the Emergency Department. "I enjoy interacting with people in such a way as to assist them with living a healthy lifestyle," said Dr. Hammond. "The Emergency Department allows me this opportunity, while

allowing me to medically intervene when needed."

The Otsego Memorial Hospital Emergency Department is located at 825 N. Center Ave. The Emergency Department at Otsego Memorial Hospital is physician-staffed 24 hours a day. The department treats more than 12,000 patients each year who are critically ill or injured.

## Quit smoking with Kirtland cessation program

Want to quit smoking? Need a little help? Kirtland Community College and the West Branch Regional Medical Center are teaming up to help smokers successfully kick the habit.

The program begins with a no-strings orientation meeting on March 12 at 12 noon in the back of the cafeteria in the Student Center. Those who decide to join the group will meet at the same place weekly each Wednesday from 12 noon to 1 p.m. beginning March 26 and ending May 7.

Cost for program materials is \$45 and those who successfully complete the program qualify for a \$10 refund, according to Karen Brown, associate dean.

To reserve a place at the orientation meeting, and for more information about the program, phone (989) 274-5000, ext. 298.

## Foundation offers healthcare scholarships

The Otsego Memorial Hospital Foundation has allocated \$3,000 for healthcare scholarships in 2003.

"The OMH Foundation scholarship program was developed to accomplish two goals," said Foundation Director, Deborah Allen. "First to enable the Foundation to provide valuable assistance to the families and

youth of our community, and Secondly, it perpetuates career interest in the healthcare industry."

The scholarships are open to students of all ages who reside in the Hospital's service area. To qualify for the Foundation Scholarship, an individual must meet the scholarship criteria and be accepted as a full time student

in a healthcare field of study, at an accredited Michigan college or university.

The official OMH Foundation Scholarship Applications must be received by the OMH Foundation Office no later than March 30, 2003, and can be obtained from area high school guidance offices, or directly from the OMH Foundation Office.

The Foundation's Scholarship Committee reviews the applications and makes their recommendation to the Foundation's Board of Trustees in April. The Foundation will be awarding one \$1,000 Scholarship, and up to \$2,000 in additional scholarship support.

For more information, or to request a 2003 Otsego Memorial Hospital Foundation Scholarship Application contact Deborah Allen, OMH Foundation Director, at (989) 731-2342.

## Unmet adult needs handled with C.A.R.E.

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

C.A.R.E. (Crawford Adult Resource Exchange) is dedicated to having a safe community with coordinated and constant resources for adults with unmet needs.

The group meets monthly and is composed of representatives from agencies working with the adult population. Working to create a network of resources and contacts C.A.R.E. informs and assists adults while preserving the individual's confidentiality.

One of the ways C.A.R.E. is trying to let everyone know about the resources available is

through the Adult Community Resource Expo to be held Thursday, May 15 at St. Mary's Catholic Church from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

There will be speakers throughout the day and over 25 booths for people to learn about the services available for adults in Crawford County.

Among the groups that will have booths will be the Family Independence Agency, the Probate Court, Munson Home Health Care, Timberview, and TRIAD a group composed of law enforcement personnel and senior citizens working to reduce criminal victimization of older citizens.

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## Bakery celebrates 25 years in current location



Loren Goodale Jr. with his son Loren III and daughter Linda at their newest addition to the delicatessen featuring several hot entrees each day.

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

In August 1971, Goodale's Bakery opened on Norway Street, just west of their current location. The original building had room for only a 12-foot long sales area, with coffee to go. The rest of the space was taken up with baking and storage areas.

In early 1978, the bakery moved to its current location at 500 Norway Street and set up five small tables for those who wanted to enjoy the bakery aroma and friendly atmosphere while they ate their goodies.

The owners are always looking at new ideas and every few years they add something to their offerings to the public.

In the mid-1980s, they began offering Kowalski brand meats

for sale and soon their customers asked them to make sandwiches with their fresh homemade bread, beginning their venture into the delicatessen business.

In 1991, the Goodales started offering two soups daily and gradually increased their offerings to five soups each day.

The family started offering the newest addition to the delicatessen menu at the beginning of February, featuring six hot entrees, which change daily, plus a few side dishes. The entrees are available from about 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The bakery is open from Monday through Thursday and Saturday from 5 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Friday from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information, call Goodale's Bakery at 348-8682.

## HONORS

### Grand Valley State University

Sandra Baynham, Amanda Fortino, Kimberly Ruley and Kathryn Sheldon, all of Grayling; and Michelle Fritz and Kimberly Hartman both of Roscommon, have all been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2002 semester.

These students have maintained at least a 3.5 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale and have been enrolled in a minimum of 12 graded credits.

### Lake Superior State University

Ann Hughes and Rebecca Hunt, both of Grayling, have been named to the Dean's List, having earned a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and being full-time students carrying at least 12 graded credits of college level courses (100 level or above).

Hughes is currently a freshman studying Human Services and Hunt is currently a sophomore studying Political Science.

### Western Michigan University

Steven Corlew, David Golnick and Jeremy Jones, all of Grayling, have been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester, having earned a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and carrying at least 12 hours of graded class work.

Corlew is studying Earth Science, Golnick is studying English and Jones is studying Environmental Studies and Earth Science.

## HOMETOWN NEWS

Before a crowd of about 30 people at Stevens Family Circle restaurant in Grayling, on February 22 at 3:30 p.m., long-time Cribbage player, Darwin Wilder, was double-skunked (for the first time in his life) by his opponent, Lou Knack.

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## Archery club seeks help from community

For many years, Grayling was considered by many as the "Archery Capital of the World." Bear Archery, Fred Bear's dream, became a reality. Today, much history is slipping away with the generation that created it, and archery is struggling to have a meaning in Grayling.

The Bear's Bowmen Archery Club reorganized 14 years ago and is in need of community support.

Over the past eight years, the club has instructed several hundred children -- as many as 150 in one year -- in the sport of archery and how to handle the

equipment safely.

The great success of the program is due to the cooperation of the local 4-H and Bear's Bowmen. Children are never turned away because of lack of finances. Many have returned four or five times because they really enjoy the sport of archery. Several have even attended Ted Nugent's camp for kids.

The Bear's Bowmen clubhouse is located at Hanson Hills. Although it was built and financed by Fred Bear and his associates for the archers of the community, the current club has to pay rent and utilities to the

Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) to maintain its lease agreement. There are numerous other expenses incurred by the Bowmen such as liability insurance, equipment replacement and cost of targets.

At this time, there is an urgent need for community support as finances are stretched to the limit. Archers and citizens can help by becoming a member of the Bear's Bowmen. Annual membership fees are: Family - \$45; Single - \$35; and Student - \$15.

Members who are current on their dues are given access to the

club so the archers are able to use the facility for practice when desired.

A 3-D moving target is located inside the club and a target shoot is scheduled for March 9. Registration begins at 9 a.m. at the clubhouse. Entry fees are \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members.

For more information about the upcoming shoot or membership, call 348-7221, 344-2333, or any club member which one may know; or write to Bear's Bowmen at 6370 Hanner Trail, Grayling, MI 49738.

## Millions await taxpayers who failed to file in 1999

Unclaimed refunds totaling more than \$99 million are awaiting about 80,000 Michigan taxpayers who failed to file a 1999 income tax return, said IRS Michigan spokesperson Sarah Wreford. "In order to collect the money, a return must be filed with an IRS office no later than April 15, 2003," she added.

"Time is running out. If you don't file a return, you can't get a refund," Wreford said. "We urge taxpayers to double-check their records before the April 15 deadline. We want people to get the refunds they're entitled to."

The IRS estimates that about

half of those who could claim refunds would receive more than \$511. Some individuals may have had taxes withheld from their wages but had too little income to require filing a tax return. Others may not have had any tax withheld but would be eligible for the refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

Generally, individuals qualified for the EITC in 1999 if they earned less than \$30,580 and had more than one qualifying child living with them, less than \$26,928 with one qualifying child, or less than \$10,200 and had no qualifying child.

Many low-income workers may not have claimed the EITC. Although eligible taxpayers may get a refund when their EITC is more than their tax, those who file returns more than three years late would only be able to offset their tax. They would not receive refunds if the credit exceeded their tax.

If no return is filed to claim the refund within three years, the money becomes property of the U.S. Treasury. For 1999 returns, the window closes on April 15, 2003.

The law requires that these returns be properly addressed,

postmarked and mailed by that date. There is no penalty assessed by the IRS for filing a late return qualifying for a refund.

"Also, I want to remind taxpayers seeking a 1999 refund that their checks will be held if they have not filed tax returns for 2000 or 2001," said Wreford. "In addition, the refund will be applied to any amounts still owed to the IRS and may be used to satisfy unpaid child support or past due federal debts such as student loans."

Wreford added that current and prior year tax forms are available on the IRS Web site ([www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)) or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676). Taxpayers who need assistance can also call the IRS help line at 1-800-829-1040.

## DISTRICT HEALTH #10 CALENDAR

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for March. Please call 348-7800 for appointments.

Immunization clinics: March 5 and 19.

Family planning: March 4 and 18.

Optional/confidential HIV/AIDS testing: Call for appointment.

WIC Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: March 5, 10, 13, 14, 24 and 27.

Breast and cervical cancer screening: March 11 and 25. Call 1-800-968-7300 to schedule an appointment. This program is available to women ages 40-64, who have limited or no health insurance.

ance.

Other services are available; call (989)348-7800 for appointment.

Other health services include: Maternal/Infant support - Families Matter, Environmental Health (well and septic permits, food service, water testing, etc.), HIV/AIDS testing, OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training session. Free hearing and vision screenings for ages three - 18 years by appointment, as scheduled; Mi Child and Healthy Kid Insurance Programs; Health Promotion Programs; - Smoking Cessation Classes - Abstinence Education (and various health topic presentations by health educators).

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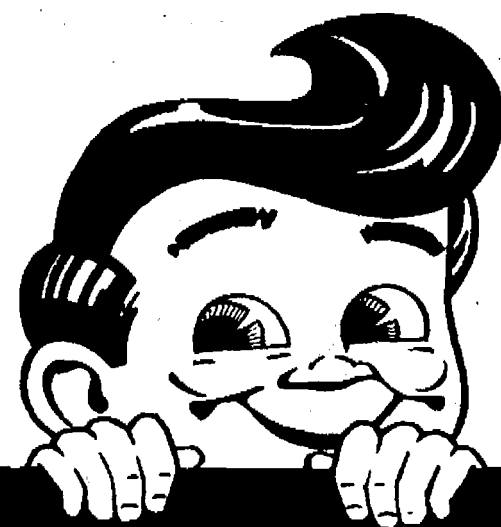


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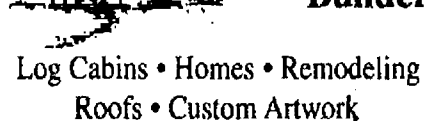


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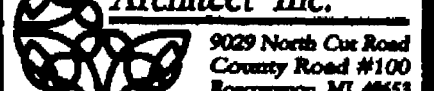
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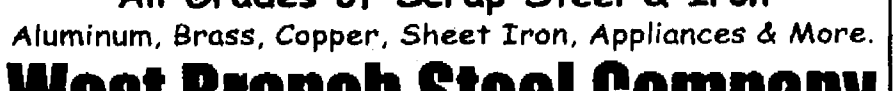
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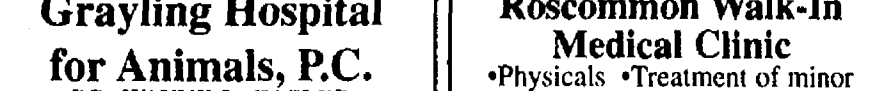
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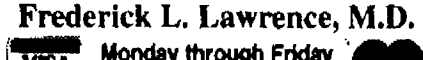
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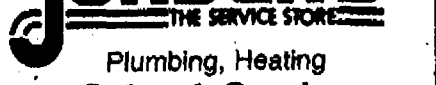
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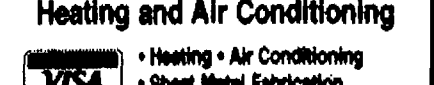
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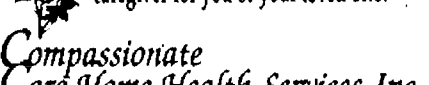
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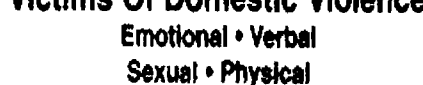
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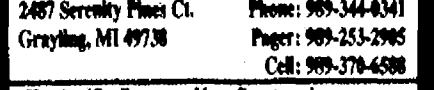
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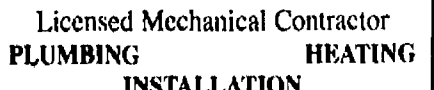
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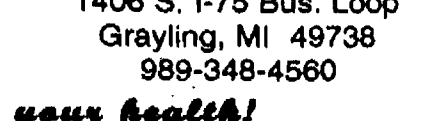
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## THE POWER SPOT

News from Grayling Elementary & AuSable Primary Schools

On Wednesday, January 29, Mrs. Kami Boik's second grade class took an interactive fieldtrip to the space station. The class learned about microgravity and how the astronauts train for that in a pool.

The AuSable Primary recently held a school wide writing prompt called "My Snowy Day." AP has a common writing prompt three times each year. The teachers score the students

work using a rubric, which allows a consistent, objective evaluation of the writing. By scoring it together, the teachers have a clearer idea about the skills the students are mastering and those needing more emphasis at each grade.

Mrs. Lori Patterson/Mrs. Kathee Sheldon's and Miss Pam Williams' first grade classes celebrated the "100th day of school" with each student bringing in 100 items to be counted.

Mrs. Pam Alexander and Mrs. Cheryl Hatfield's first grade classes visited Mercy Manor. On this visit the students made Valentine crafts with the residents.

The Grayling High School Cheer Teams sponsored a Winter Cheer Clinic for elementary students. The students learned four cheers and a dance routine, which was performed at half time during the February 18 Junior Varsity basketball game.

Don't throw out your labels, send them to your local school. Campbell soup labels help pur-

chase classroom and library materials. Box Tops for Education fund educational assemblies and special speakers. Every label benefits the students and every little bit helps.

The fourth and fifth grade students have finished the MEAP. The students were well prepared for the test and had a lot of parental support at home so they were able to put forth their best effort.

The third grade students will be taking the Terra Nova at the end of March.

Each classroom teacher has scored another class's (same grade level) Mid-Year Assessments for Everyday Mathematics. The teachers will use this assessment to determine which areas in math need more focus.

The fifth grade concerts were held the evenings of January 21 and 22. Mrs. D. J. Brown worked hard with the students who gave their best best performances yet.

Deputy Bonkowski began the

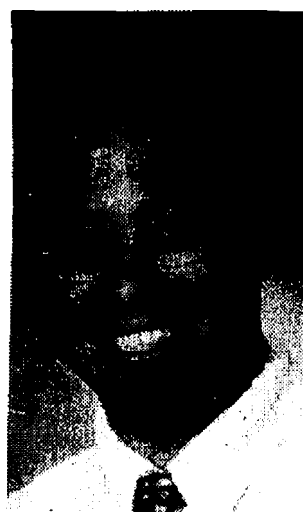
Junior Deputy program for all fourth grade students on February 6. The objective of this prevention program is to educate children on safety issues.

Officer Bill Bonkowski has begun the D.A.R.E. classes for all the second and third graders at AuSable Primary. These lessons center on thinking and acting safely.

Miss Pam Williams first grade class is making a book showing where they are in the world. Each child in turn took a camera home for a picture to be taken of them in bed sleeping and another of them by their front door. Each child will make a book of their own. The pictures are mixed in with drawing and maps the children made of the world around them near and far.

AuSable Primary held an "I Love My School" contest. Students in the classroom that brought in the most box tops receiving a special Valentine's prize. Mrs. Goetz's yellow kindergarten class was the winning class.

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Dr. Divina is joining Joseph R. Yacisen, DO, and the AuSable Sports Medicine and Joint Center. The main office for the practice is now under construction in Grayling.

In addition to Grayling office hours, both physicians will be seeing patients at the Mercy Family Care offices in Prudenville and Roscommon. Until the new Grayling office is ready, Grayling appointments will be offered at the Mercy Hospital Grayling Specialty Clinic.

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by Nova Anderson

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February and March:

26 - Sirloin Tips and Noodles/ Brown Steak; Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.; Exercise and Line Dancing at 10 and 11 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12 noon; Crafts at 1 p.m.; CPU Class at 3:30 p.m.; and Medicine Shoppe Bingo at

5:30 p.m.

27 - Turkey with Dressing/Orange Roughy; Blood Pressure/Blood Sugar at 11 a.m. to 12 noon; Adult Ed Class at 1 p.m. and Uno Attack at 5:30 p.m.

28 - Pork Chops/No Dinner; Beaver Creek Satellite at 12 noon; Pantry Bingo and 80 Cent Rummy.

2 - Sunday Brunch, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. We are serving Blueberry Pancakes with all the fixings.

3 - Turkey and Mashed Potatoes/Veal; Stag Cards at 12 noon; Bridge Club at 1 p.m. and Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

4 - Salisbury Steak/Baked Chicken; Euchre Club at 1 p.m. and McDonald's Bingo at 5:30 p.m.

5 - Spanish Rice/Brown Steak; Commodities at St. Mary's, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; Hearing Clinic by Appointment; Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.; Exercise and Line Dancing at 10 and 11 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12 noon; Crafts at 1 p.m.; CPU at 3:30 p.m. and Cardo at 5:30 p.m.

Thought for the week: Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 145 complaints the two-week period of February 10-23:

Thirty traffic accidents, seven

non-traffic accidents, one traffic violations (civil infraction), one traffic policing, two traffic/public safety appearance, three accidents - all other (snowmobile), two motor vehicle inspections, five liquor license inspections, four civil matter disputes - family trouble;

Seven suspicious situations, one lost and found property, one drug overdose, one natural death, 31 general non-criminal, one assist other jurisdiction, one hazardous situation (spill, leak, power line down), nine delinquent minors, two false alarm activations, two burglary/home

invasion, four larceny, one vehicle theft, two damage to property, one marijuana - sell, one marijuana - possess, one family offense/abuse/ neglect, one violation of liquor control laws, one minor attempt to purchase/possess alcohol, eight public peace disorderly, one OUIL/UBAL, two operating under the influence of alcohol, one conservation, one miscellaneous criminal offense, one miscellaneous arrest, eight driving violations/DWLS (driving while license suspended), etc.

For more information, log on to: [www.crawfordsheriff.org](http://www.crawfordsheriff.org).

### Card of Thanks

ABWA would like to thank A Cut Above Beauty Salon for their paraffin dips and Kaye Thomas Hogan for her back massages and to Hanson Hills for making A Ladies' Night Out a success.

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## OBITUARIES

### Robert J. Clements

March 22, 1922 - Feb. 20, 2003

Robert J. Clements, age 80, of Crawfordsville, Indiana, died Thursday, February 20 at St. Clare Medical Center. He was born on March 22, 1922 in Crawfordsville to Harold and Mary (Hayworth) Clements.

Robert married Marjorie J. Stockdale on January 19, 1947 in New Liberty Church near Veedersburg.

Mr. Clements graduated from Crawfordsville High School in 1942 where he played in the state basketball finals his senior year. Upon graduation he joined the U.S. Navy serving three years.

He worked at R R Donnell for 31 years, retiring in 1973. In 1960, he opened and operated Clements Canoes until retirement in 1981. His business was one of the first canoe rental businesses in Indiana.

Robert was a member of the First United Methodist Church, American Legion, VFW, and NRA. In 1967 he was elected to the Silver Anniversary Hall of Fame team to the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame. He was also an avid fisherman and bird hunter. He was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather.

Surviving Mr. Clements is his wife, Marjorie; two sons, Jim of Grayling and Fred of Crawfordsville; one daughter, Cathy Clements of Indianapolis; four grandsons, Joshua, Jared, Mark, and Rob; two granddaughters, Jamie Shillings and Jennifer Clements; two great grandchildren, Korbin and Jonah Shillings.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Mary Jane Harlson.

Funeral services were held at Hunt and Son Funeral Home, Reverend Allen Sparks officiated. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery, Grant Avenue, with military rites.

Arrangements by Hunt and Son Funeral Home, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

### Michael Fay Pittman

Nov. 24, 1942 - Feb. 18, 2003

Michael Fay Pittman, age 60, of Grayling, died February 18, 2003. He was born on November 24, 1942 in Alma.

Michael was a performer in the music industry. His lifelong passion was to his music. Mike started playing the accordion when he was a little tyke barely big enough to hold it. He continued to play throughout his lifetime. He was known in Michigan and Florida as "The Cordovox Kid." His passion for music will live through his children and grandchildren as they were each a member of the school band. Mr. Pittman's true passions were his children, grandchildren and music.

Mike's hobby was tractors. His philosophy was "A tractor is a tractor," from repairs and restoration to collecting toys and models. His collection at one time was over 500 tractors of all sizes, makes and models.

He was a past president of the Grayling Eagles Aerie #3465 where he was a lifetime member.

Surviving Mike are his three daughters, Denise (Glenn) Gault of Grayling, Wendy (Kevin) Pratt of Gaylord, and Sandra Pittman of Grayling; three sons, Dennis (Sue) Pittman of Colorado, Scott (Wendy) Pittman of Grayling and Randy (Lori) Pittman of Grayling; 20 grandchildren; one sister, JoAnne (Jack) Cornwell of Ithaca; two brothers, Justin "Bud" (Norma) Pittman of Nevada, and Ted (Rhonda) Pittman of Ithaca; and nieces and nephews.

Mike was preceded in death by his parents and one daughter, Michelle Pittman in 1974.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, February 22 at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel. Officiating the service was the Grayling Eagles Aerie #3465.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

### Lois M. Southwell

April 3, 1921 - Feb. 20, 2003

Lois M. Southwell, age 81, of Grayling, died February 20 at her home. She was born on April 3, 1921 in Afton and has lived in Grayling since 1951.

Lois taught school in Cheboygan County before moving to Grayling. She also taught at St. Mary's School until it closed in 1970 but stayed on as the Secretary/Bookkeeper for St. Mary's Parish and the Gaylord Diocesan Education Department.

Surviving Lois is her son Edward (Laura) of Stockbridge; five daughters, Valerie (John) Miller of Frederic, Janet (Bill) Wolfe of Utica, Evelyn Crouch of Inglis, Florida, Christine (Michael) Jungman of Novi, and Colleen (David) Wyss of Grayling; 16 Grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren; four brothers and six sisters.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband Mark, who died in July, 1990.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on February 22 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Reverend Nalley officiated. The pallbearers were her grandsons; John and Tim Miller, Mark Southwell, Jr., Joe Larson, Jeffrey and Brad Crouch, Jeremy Jungman and Joshua Wyss. Honorary pallbearer was Aaron Ashton. Interment was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association. Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

### In Memory of James R. Wakeley

February 27, 1996

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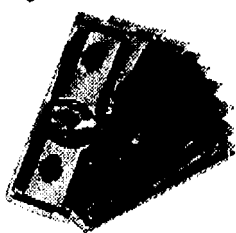
Although we loved him dearly, we could not make him stay.

A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands to rest;

God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

Sadly missed by wife, Sharon; daughter, Amy; sons, Kevin, Mike and Todd; grandchildren, Jorden, Courtney, Cameron, Colbie, Cassie, Naomi and Noah.

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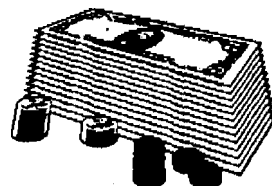
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## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner reports his department handled the following 55 complaints during the period from February 16 - 23:

Three larceny complaints, one breaking and entering, one criminal sexual conduct, three assist other departments, five alarms, two property damage reports, one juvenile, one disturbing the peace, two private property accidents, three traffic accidents, seven civil infractions, three motorist assists, one city ordinance violations, three suspicious situations, 16 unclassified, and three traffic warnings.

### James Arthur Loeding

February 21, 2003

James Arthur Loeding, age 65, of Grayling, died February 21, 2003.

A memorial service will be held later in the spring.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

### Card of Thanks

We would like to thank Dr. Harrington for her tender care of our Mom and Grandma, Father Nalley for coming to her home and the touching funeral mass. Also to Hospice for being so gentle and compassionate.

We all miss Mom and Grandma, but take comfort knowing she is in heaven watching over all of us.

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# ISSUES AND OPINIONS

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## CASD school board action was the final breach of faith

To the editor,

The final breach of faith by the Crawford County School Board came about at the February 10 meeting, when a rushed vote was taken, surprising all but the superintendent and the school board. Interested citizens had been told that the vote to close

Frederic Elementary would most likely not occur at that meeting. One of the mis-informants was Ms. Haug, herself.

The vote was taken only three working days after an important and inclusive February 5 meeting held in Frederic. At this meeting board members and the superintendent received important input from concerned citizens of

Maple Forest, Lovells and Frederic. Ideas were presented on ways to keep Frederic Elementary School open. In the three working days between the meeting in Frederic, and the school board meeting in Grayling, there was not ample time for the school board members, superintendent and any other officials to sincerely examine the budget and eliminate 11 percent of non-essential items needed to keep all schools open.

The school board and superintendent had been given a list of 35 questions to answer regarding things that might affect closure of Frederic Elementary. They were given ample time (until February 5) to find answers to these questions. I, among others, was shocked to see the arrogance shown by some board members, in facial gestures and tone of voice.

In addition, answers were vague and evasive. Example: Question 14 - How does Crawford-AuSable compare to like districts for number of employees, and administration pay scale? Answer: "We're on the high end of the scale." We were given no specifics as to administration costs. We were given the figure of \$578 per student. Confusing? Evasive? Yes!! How can one arrive at a per student ratio without knowing administration salaries?

At this February 5 meeting, besides suggesting an 11 percent cut in each Crawford-AuSable school to avoid closing Frederic Elementary, Maple Forest Township Supervisor, Mark Kniss showed the board blueprints of a large subdivision of individual homes that is in the second stage of construction within five miles of Frederic. Frederic Elementary was included in the builder's Master Plan.

Why wasn't the 11 percent cut considered? Why wasn't construction of a new subdivision reason for Frederic Elementary to remain open? Why didn't the board and superintendent do a community impact study? Why did the school board ignore the original consolidation agreement as well as the previous school board's resolutions of 1991?

Why did the board vote so quickly after the February 5 meeting in Frederic? Were the board and superintendent eager to vote without the attendance of concerned citizens who had given input on February 5? They were certainly aware that a vote to close the school on February 10 would preempt news of input given at the meeting held on February 5 in Frederic. News of the first meeting would not be printed, as it would be irrelevant to the outcome.

Obviously, the out of sight, out of mind mentality of the Crawford-AuSable School Board prevails.

There is no diversity on our present school board. All members are from Grayling. (One board member, Jim Tobin, who voted not to close Frederic Elementary, lives in Grayling, but has lived in Frederic, and has walked in our shoes. We appreciate Jim and other friends in the county who have shown support for continuing our historic school in Frederic.)

Though the school board and superintendent believe Crawford County to be a part of Grayling, that view is not shared by others in our northern Michigan county.

What's going to happen now? What is the future of the Crawford-AuSable School District? We have tried presenting a positive campaign and to work with the present school board, but to no avail. Now, there is talk of deconsolidation, a charter school, home schooling, and of sending students to Gaylord. What will the school district save if they lose only twenty students?

What can concerned citizens do? We can vote not to continue with the present "out of sight, out of mind" school board members as they come up for re-election. We can vote for members from diverse parts of the county. We can be determined that never again will such a group make decisions that are so damaging to an important part of the community.

Clem Sajdak  
Frederic

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Thursday, February 27, 2003

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## March Madness 2003

### Vikings to face Bucks in round 1 of Districts

► Grayling draws familiar foe for the start of basketball play-offs

The Vikings of Grayling High School and the Bucks of Roscommon High School will face off in the first game of District #63's Class B boys basketball tournament on Monday, March 3, at Cheboygan High School.

District #63 includes Sault Ste. Marie, Grayling, Kalkaska, Roscommon, Houghton Lake, and Cheboygan. All games for the District #63 Tournament will be held at Cheboygan High School.

Houghton Lake and Kalkaska both drew first round byes.

The tournament will open with a 6 p.m. game on Monday, March 3: Grayling vs. Roscommon. (The Bucks defeated the Vikings on February 5. The second regular season match-up between the two teams was scheduled for February 25. The results of that game were not available prior to press time.)

The winner of the GHS vs. RHS match-up will face Houghton Lake in the semi-finals on Wednesday, March 5 at 6 p.m.

At 8 p.m. on Monday, the first round will conclude with Cheboygan vs. Sault Ste. Marie. The winner will advance to the District semi-final game against Kalkaska on Wednesday, March 5, at 8 p.m.

The District #63 championship game will be held on Friday, March 7, at 7 p.m. The winner advances to Regionals.

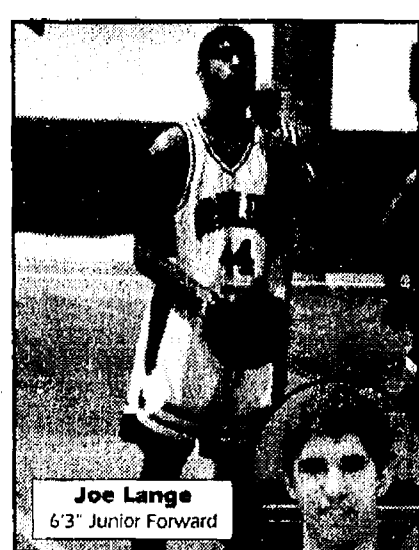
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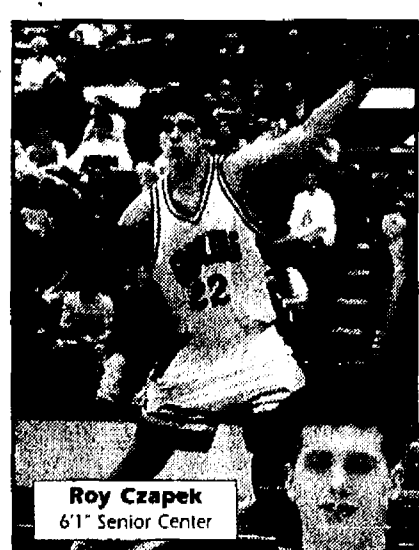
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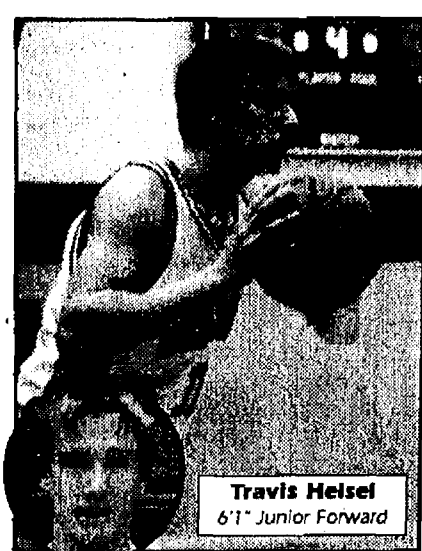
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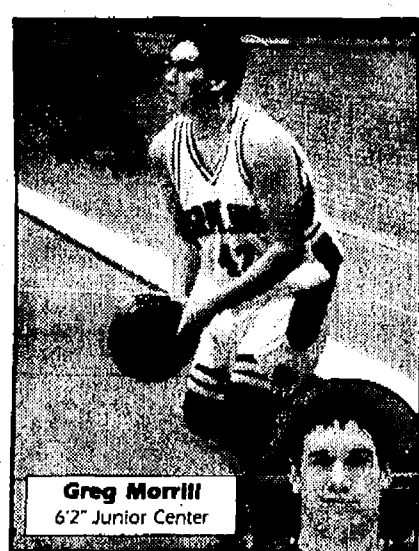
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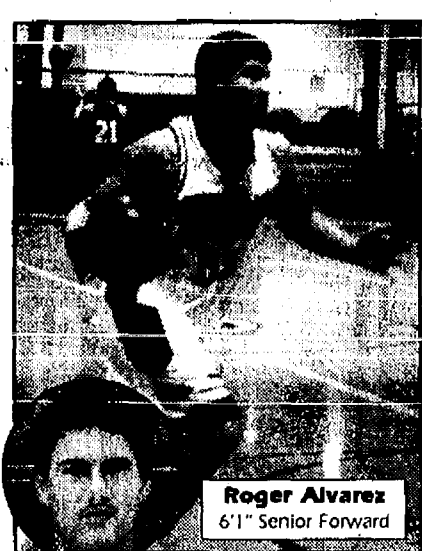
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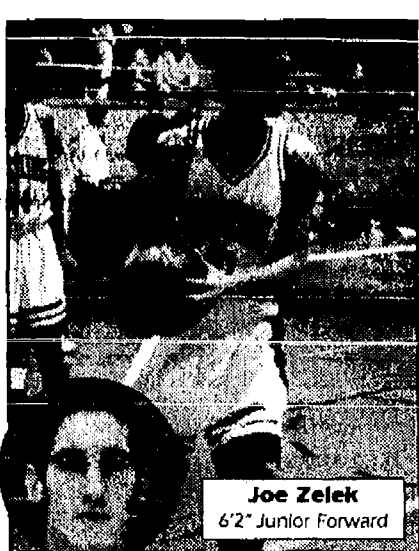
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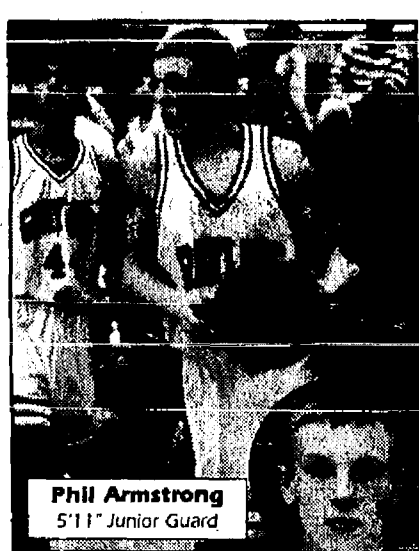
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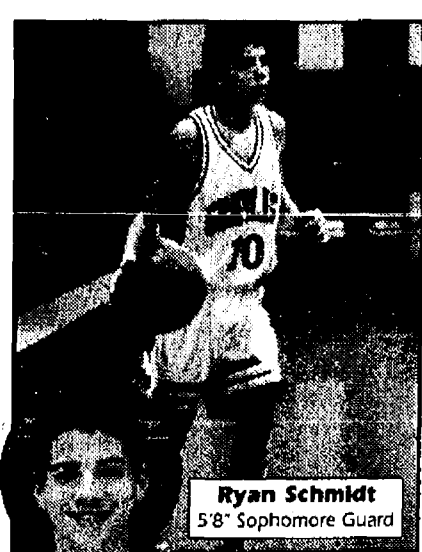
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#### The Vikings

Overall Record: 12-6  
League Record: 8-3  
Home Record: 8-3  
Away Record: 4-3



The team: (R. to L.) Gibson Tobin, Ryan Schmidt, Andy Strohpaul, Chad Helsel, Phil Armstrong, Adam Kelsner, (R. to L.) Coach Rob Moffitt, Roger Alvarez, Roy Czapke, Joe Lange, Joe Zelek, Greg Morrill, Travis Helsel, Caleb Mead, Coach Chris Kuehbeck.

### NEMC race to end with Grayling vs. Tawas

► Vikings win at Ogemaw to stay in contention for league title

Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball team kept its North East Michigan Conference title hopes alive with a 68-61 victory at Ogemaw Heights on Friday (see Page 3B for more on the game).

Three NEMC teams - Tawas, Grayling, and Bay City John Glenn - were still in contention for a share of the league championship going into last week's set of games. John Glenn slipped out of the race for the league's top spot with a 60-58 loss to Oscoda on Friday. Bay City has finished its league schedule.

Tawas, still in first place in the NEMC, moved to 8-2 in the conference with a 60-58 victory over Standish Sterling Central on Friday.

Grayling, with its victory over West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Friday night, improved its league record to 8-3. The Vikings can still win the NEMC outright, but they need help from Pinconning.

If Tawas loses to Pinconning (1-9 in the NEMC), the Braves and the Vikings will be tied at 8-3 going into this Friday's Grayling vs. Tawas showdown at Tawas, and the victor would win the league. If Tawas wins Tuesday night, Grayling must beat Tawas to claim a share of the league title. Either way, if Grayling does not win at Tawas Friday, the Vikings will finish in a tie with Bay City John Glenn for second place in the conference at 8-4.

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## ADAM KAISER

6'1" Senior Guard #32



Adam, a senior, is a returning letterman. He is one of Graylings' most consistent scoring threats - he can drive or shoot from the outside. Adam is a solid defender and ball handler, and a leader on the floor.



Adam Kaiser

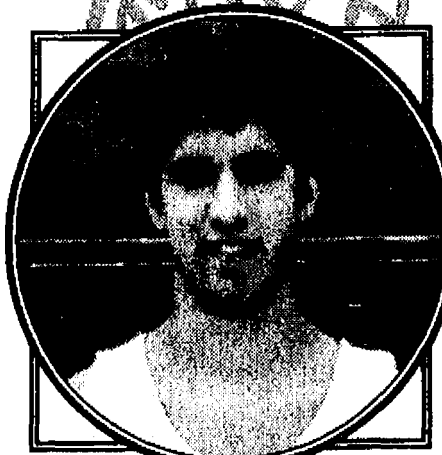


## JOE LANGE

6'3" Junior Forward #44



Joe, a Junior, is a returning letterman. He played varsity ball full-time last year as a 10th grader. He is Graylings' best shot blocker and a very good rebounder. He is also a threat to score under the basket.

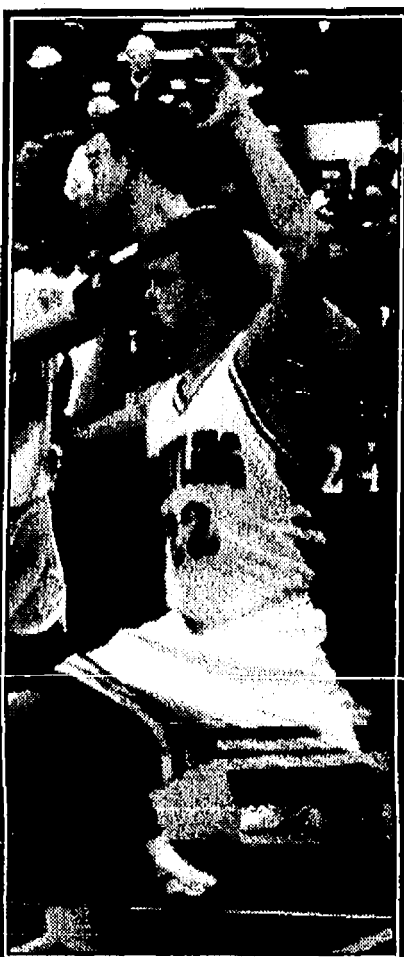


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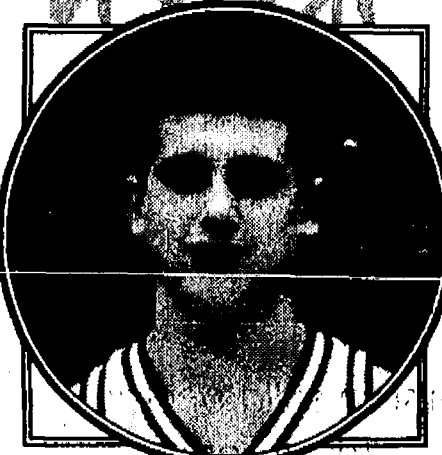


## ROY CZAPEK

6'1" Junior Center #22



Roy, a Junior, is in his first full year of varsity basketball. Last year he was moved up from the JV squad at the end of the year for Districts. One of Graylings' best rebounders and a threat to score inside.



Roy Czappek



## GIBSON TOBIN

5'7" Sophomore Guard #33



Gibson, a sophomore, played varsity ball full-time last year as a freshman. He is Graylings' assist leader and point guard. Gibson can drive to the basket, pull up for a jumper, or hit from the perimeter.



Gibson Tobin

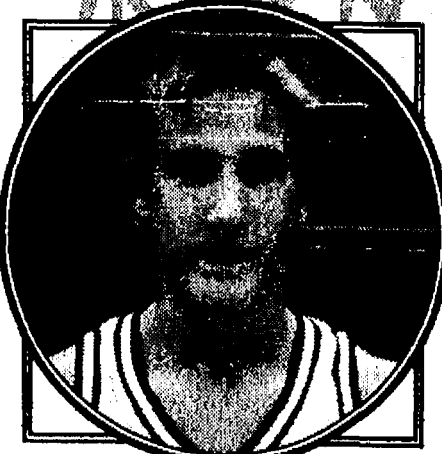


## TRAVIS HELSEL

6'1" Junior Forward #11



Travis, a junior, is in his first full year of varsity basketball. As a sophomore, he was moved up to varsity for Districts. Travis has a very good jump shot and he is a solid rebounder for the Vikings.



Travis Helsel



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GRAYLING	Game 2nd March 6, 6 p.m.	2nd
Roscommon	Game 3rd March 7, 7 p.m.	3rd
Cheboygan	Game 4th March 8, 6 p.m.	4th
South St. Marie	Game 5th March 9, 6 p.m.	5th
Kalkaska	Game 6th March 10, 6 p.m.	6th
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All matches will be held at Cheboygan High School.

# Grayling Viking Basketball

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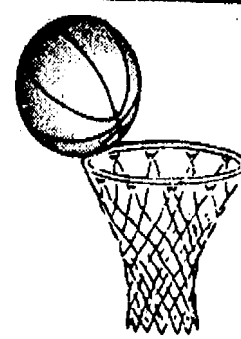
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## What is MARCH MADNESS?

The phrase "March Madness" refers to the furor surrounding high school and college basketball play-offs, which begin in March all across the country.

For area high school basketball teams (and their fans), March Madness starts with the District Tournaments, the first round of play-offs. Teams that win advance to the next game, and teams that are defeated are finished for the season.

Every year, The Crawford County Avalanche salutes March Madness with a special portion of the sports section devoted entirely to the varsity boys basketball team just prior to the start of Districts.

The Vikings will start post-season play with a first round District match against Roscommon on Monday, March 3, at 6 p.m. at Cheboygan High School.

GOOD LUCK, VIKINGS!



**ANDY STROHPAUL**

5'11" Junior Guard #20



Andy, a junior, is in his first year of varsity basketball. He provides Grayling with quality minutes at either guard spot off the bench. He is a good ball handler and shooter. A solid defender.

**Andy Strohpaul****CHAD HELSEL**

5'11" Junior Guard #23

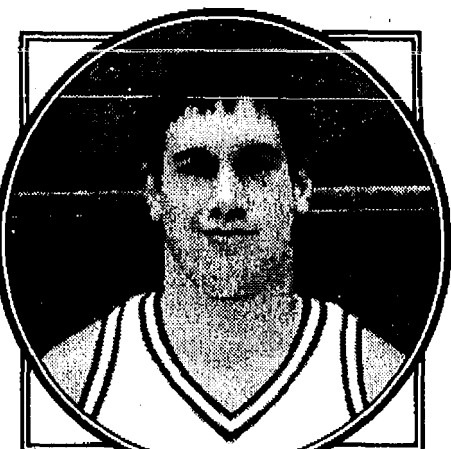
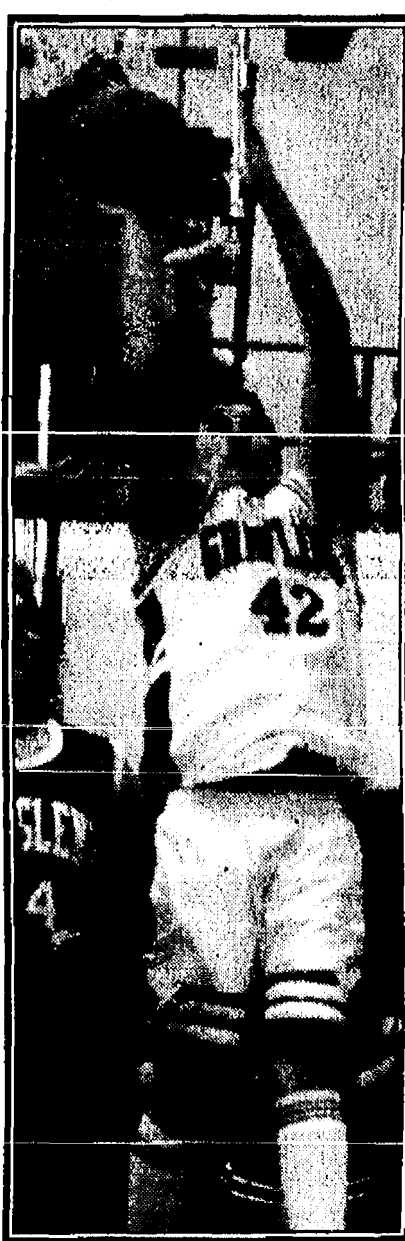


Chad, a junior, is playing in his first year of varsity basketball. He is a solid defender and a good outside shooter who can also slash to the basket. His minutes have increased as the season's progressed.

**Chad Helsel****GREG MORRILL**

6'2" Junior Center #42

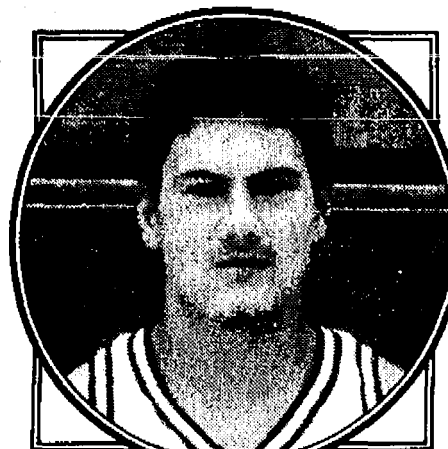
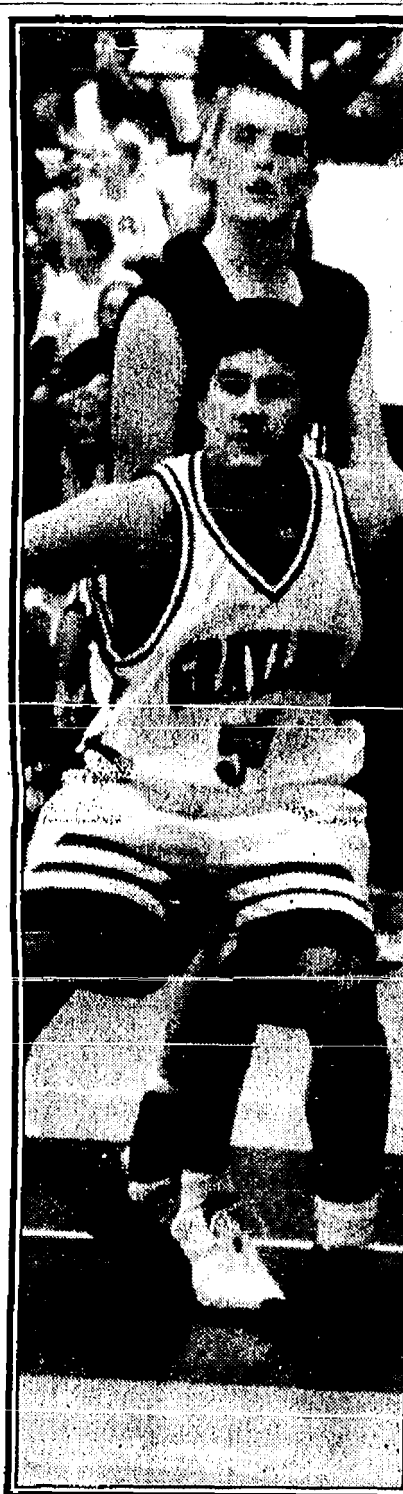
Greg, a junior, is in his first year of varsity ball. He is an aggressive defender and provides Grayling with a lot of hustle. Greg gives GHS muscle under the basket, and he is also a solid perimeter shooter.

**Greg Morrill****ROGER ALVAREZ**

6'1" Senior Forward #55



Roger, a senior, is a returning letterman. He is a physical player that provides Grayling with solid minutes and a strong presence underneath the basket. A good free throw shooter.

**Roger Alvarez****Vikings win at Ogemaw**

► Varsity team wins on strength of 19-9 second quarter run

The GHS varsity boys basketball team improved its league record to 8-3 (12-6 overall) with a 68-61 victory at West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Friday.

With one league game to go (vs. Tawas, current NEMC leader) the Vikings have sewn up at least a second place tie in the league race. A victory over

Tawas on Friday would give Grayling at least a share of the NEMC title, depending on what happens in Tuesday night's Pinconning vs. Tawas match-up this week.

In Friday night's game, Grayling and Ogemaw Heights were tied at 14-14 going into the second quarter. The Vikings had a big second period, outscoring the host Falcons 19-9.

Grayling led by 10, 33-23, at halftime.

After a closely-contested second half, the Vikings came out of it with a seven-point victory, 68-61.

Roy Czapek was the leading scorer for the Vikings with 21 points. Gibson Tobin scored 18. Adam Kaiser, Joe Lange, Travis Helsel, Andy Strohpaul, Chad Helsel, and Roger Alvarez also

had points for Grayling in the match.

"Our kids played very well in the second quarter. Our kids are playing well as a team," Coach Rich Moffit said. "(Roy) Czapek played very well."

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Tawas	8-2	14-3
GRAYLING	8-3	12-6
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Standish Sterling	4-7	6-12
Ogemaw Heights	3-8	5-12
Pinconning	1-9	3-15

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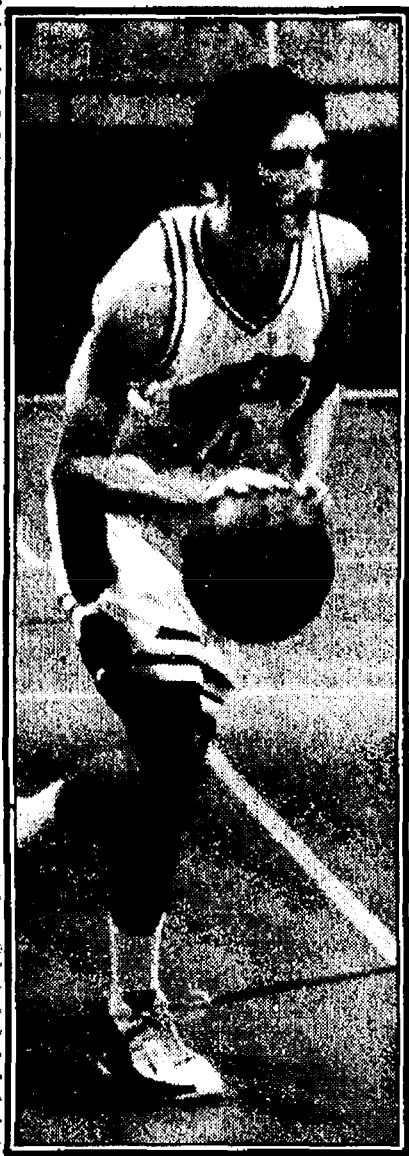
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## JOE ZELEK

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Joe, a junior, is in his first season of varsity basketball. He is a solid rebounder and a decent outside shooter who helps provide Grayling with good depth at the forward position.



Joe Zelek



## CALEB MEAD

5'11" Senior Guard #12

Caleb, a senior, did not play basketball last year. He missed a few games this year due to a knee injury, but he has been back in the line-up lately. Caleb is a good ball handler and outside shooter.



Caleb Mead



## PHIL ARMSTRONG

5'11" Junior Guard #30

Phil, a junior, is in his first year of varsity basketball. He is a solid defender and can hit the jumper or perimeter shot. He helps provide Grayling with depth at the guard position.



Phil Armstrong



## RYAN SCHMIDT

5'8" Sophomore Guard #10

Ryan, a sophomore, has split time between the JV and varsity squads this year. He is one of Grayling's quickest players. Ryan is a good passer who can also drive to the basket or pull up for a jump shot.



Ryan Schmidt



## RYAN DAVIS

6'1" Sophomore Forward

Ryan, a sophomore, is being moved up from the JV squad for the District Tournament. He is a versatile player - a good ball handler, aggressive defender, and a very good shooter. He can hit from inside or outside.



Ryan Davis



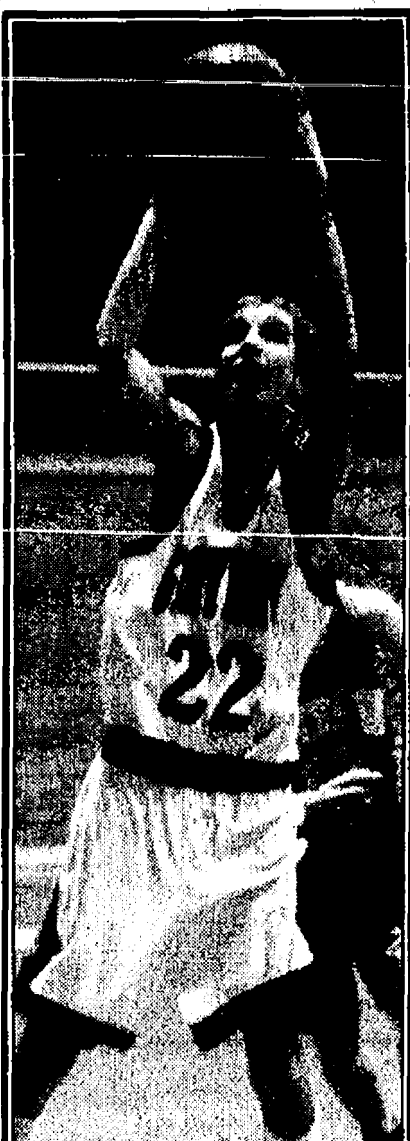
## JOSH HINKLE

6'2" Sophomore Guard

Josh, a sophomore, is a JV player being moved up to varsity for Districts. He is a very good defender and an excellent transition player. He can drive in for a score, pull up for a jumper, or hit the three.



Josh Hinkle

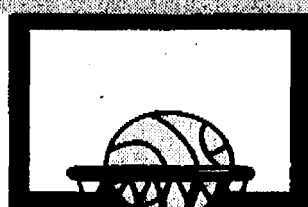


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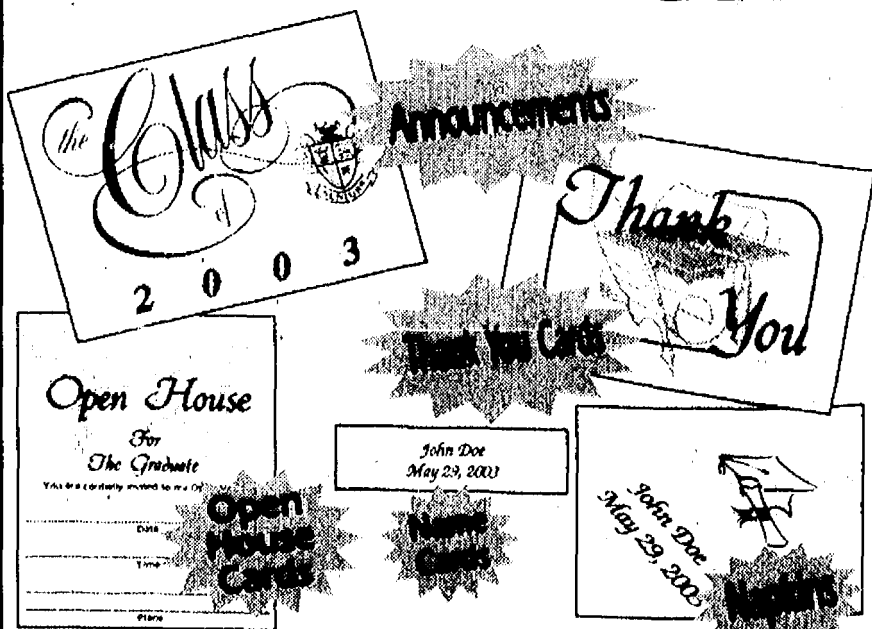
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# JV Vikings defeat Blue Devils

► Grayling wins a back and forth battle vs. Gaylord by five points

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, the GHS Vikings defeated the visiting Blue Devils of Gaylord 62-57 in a back-and-forth junior varsity boys basketball game that was close all the way through.

Grayling led 17-12 after one quarter of play, despite having some trouble getting in sync. The Vikings didn't finish well under the basket, but helped themselves with aggressive defense.

The Vikings scored their 17 first quarter points on a put-back by Josh Millikin, a jump shot and a lay-up by Ryan Schmidt, two free throws by Millikin, a lay-up and a free throw by Josh Hinkle, two free throws by Russ Peters, and two lay-ups by Bobby Starks.

Gaylord scored the first two baskets of the second quarter to pull within one. A free throw by Hinkle and a jumper by Millikin

put Grayling up by four. A three-pointer by Gaylord cut it back to one. The Blue Devils scored again to take a one-point edge. A jumper by Starks gave the lead back to Grayling. Two free throws by Gaylord gave the Blue Devils a one-point advantage.

Two free throws by Starks put the Vikings ahead. Gaylord answered with a jump shot for two. A drive by Schmidt and a free throw by Jess Bobenmoyer put the Vikings up by two. A shot inside by Gaylord tied the contest at 27-27.

Free throws by Tyler Cragg and Hinkle put Grayling up by three. A shot inside pulled the Blue Devils within one. A jumper by Starks and a put-back by Hinkle in the last 30 seconds of the second quarter gave Grayling a 34-29 halftime lead.

Gaylord rallied for a 20-10 third quarter, putting Grayling behind 49-44 going into the fourth period. The Vikings scored their 10 points on a put-back by Starks, a jumper by Hinkle, shots inside by Ryan Davis and Peters, and free throws by Matt Swope and Hinkle.

In the first three minutes of the fourth, all the scoring action was done at the free throw line. Millikin hit three of four for the Vikings in two trips to the line. Gaylord was 0 for 4 from the line in two trips.

Gaylord hit a shot inside to lead 51-47. Two free throws by Bobenmoyer pulled the Vikings within two. A put-back by Starks at the 3:09 mark tied the game at 51-51.

A free throw by Gaylord and a free throw by Starks left the game tied. A put-back by Hinkle gave Grayling a 54-52 advantage with 2:34 left in regulation. Gaylord answered with a jump shot to lock the score in a tie again.

A free throw by Hinkle at the 1:31 mark put the Vikings up by one. Gaylord turned the ball over and fouled.

Grayling missed both free throws.

Gaylord, still down by one, surrendered the ball on a deflection. Starks came up with the loose ball. He drove and passed off to Cragg underneath the basket, who converted for two points. Grayling led by three, 57-



Photos by Caleb Casey

Josh Hinkle drives to the basket for Grayling in last Tuesday's JV game against the Blue Devils of Gaylord.

54, with 1:02 left in the fourth quarter.

Gaylord lost the ball out of bounds on its next possession. The Blue Devils fouled to stop the clock. Starks hit both free throws to give Grayling a 59-54 edge.

The Blue Devils scored a triple with 19 seconds left in the game. Gaylord fouled, and Schmidt hit one of two at the line to put the Vikings up by three.

Gaylord tried for a three, missed, and the ball went out of bounds - last touched by a Blue Devil. Gaylord fouled. Hinkle made both free throws, giving Grayling a five-point advantage (62-57) with two seconds left in the game.

Gaylord launched a hail mary shot, it missed, and that was it. The Vikings won 62-57.

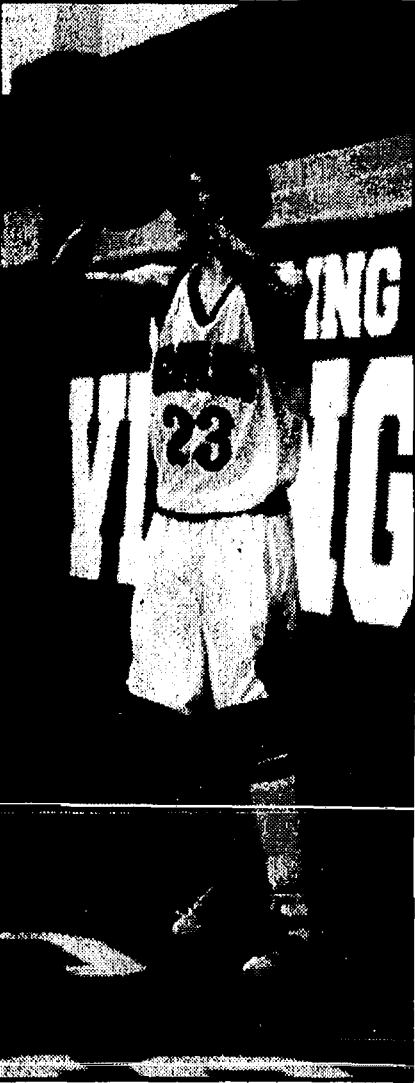
Coach Butch Hayes said his team played hard all game and

gave a solid effort, but struggled to find a rhythm. "I thought (Josh) Millikin played well, and Russ Peters. We got a good interior game from them," he added.

Starks was the leading scorer for Grayling with 17 points. Hinkle finished with 16. Nine Vikings scored in the match, in all.

The win improved Grayling's season record to 16-1.

The Vikings will finish their 2002-03 season at Tawas on Friday, February 28.



Jess Bobenmoyer looks for an open teammate on an in-bounds play vs. Gaylord.

## BOWLING LEAGUE

Friday Mixed Doubles	
American Legion . . . . .	30 - 14
Northern Cafe. . . . .	27 - 17
Double Trouble. . . . .	23 - 21
Moshier Auto Repair . . . .	21 - 23
Ken's Tire & Auto . . . . .	20 - 24
Charlies Country Corner	19 - 25
Fick & Sons. . . . .	18 - 26
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High Series Men: R. Marwede, 586; C. Hanson, 574; D. Wallace, 556.	
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High Game Women: S. Johnson, 205; M. Moshier, 181; K. Moshier, 171.	

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GADCO . . . . .	18 - 24
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South Side River Rats . . .	28 - 08
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The Ice House. . . . .	17.5 - 18.5
Hawk Ridge Golf . . . . .	16.5 - 19.5
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High Series: B. LaMotte, 550; C. Jones, 548; H. Stairs, 531; K. Moshier, 506.	
High Game: B. LaMotte, 226; C. Jones, 208; T. Parker, 200; H. Stairs, 194.	

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Plaza . . . . .	148
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(Swamp), Christy (Sawmill 1), Jill (Plaza), Siss (Frederic Inn).	
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McLean's 43: Trudgeon 7, Annis 9, Potter 5, Mike	

Doremire 9, Kirk 13.	
Holiday Inn 26: Smith 3, Hamlin 2, Wieler 6, Dean 4, Swope 8, Weaver 3.	
Spike's 70: Church Jr. 17, Jon Thompson 14, Patterson 14, Tom	

Gardiner 2, Myers 5, Jim Gardiner 2, Smitz 16.	
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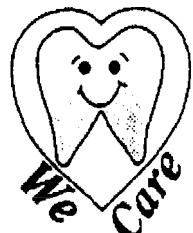


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## Two GHS wrestlers qualify for State

► Dusty Partello and Brandon Pratt earn spots at State Wrestling Finals

Two Grayling High School wrestlers — Brandon Pratt and Dusty Partello, both of whom are juniors at GHS — recently qualified for the Individual State Wrestling Finals to be held March 6-8 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

At Regionals at Howard City on Saturday, Partello (152) won his first match and his second match, defeating opponents from

Howard City and Spring Lake, respectively. In the championship match, he lost to Drew Gillespie of Kalkaska.

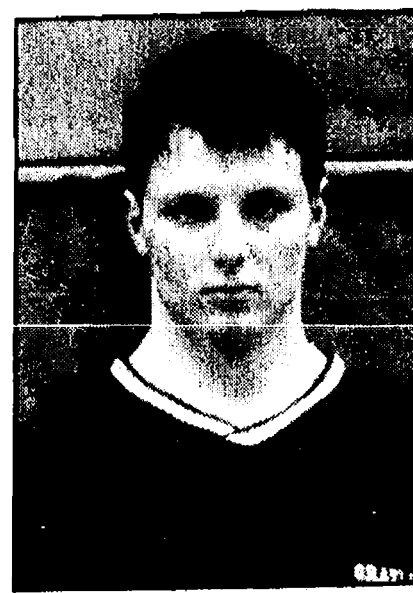
Partello, who has posted a 35-7 season record so far this year, will be making his second trip to the State Finals.

Pratt (171) lost his first match at Regionals to a Howard City wrestler, then won his next two bouts to earn a State Finals berth. Pratt, 39-9 so far this season, lost his last match of the day to a wrestler from Gladwin.

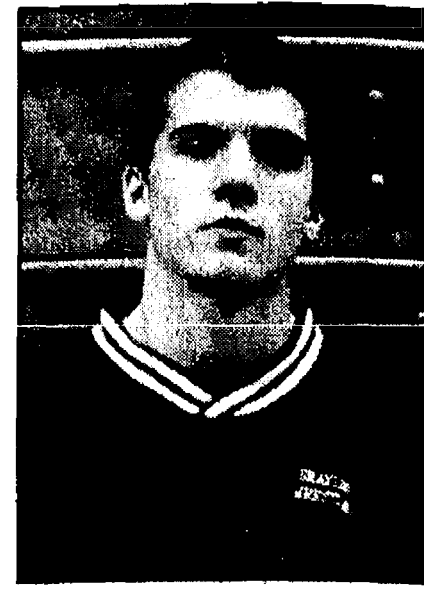
Joel Wilson, a freshman, and junior Darryl Babbitt also qualified to wrestle in Regionals, but did not place high enough to secure a spot at the State Finals.

Wilson (145, 26-14) won his first match then lost his second at Regionals. In his third contest, Wilson lost a 2-1 decision in a hard-fought battle.

Babbitt (160, 31-13) lost his first match on Saturday by deci-



**Dusty Partello**  
**State Qualifier**



**Brandon Pratt**  
**State Qualifier**

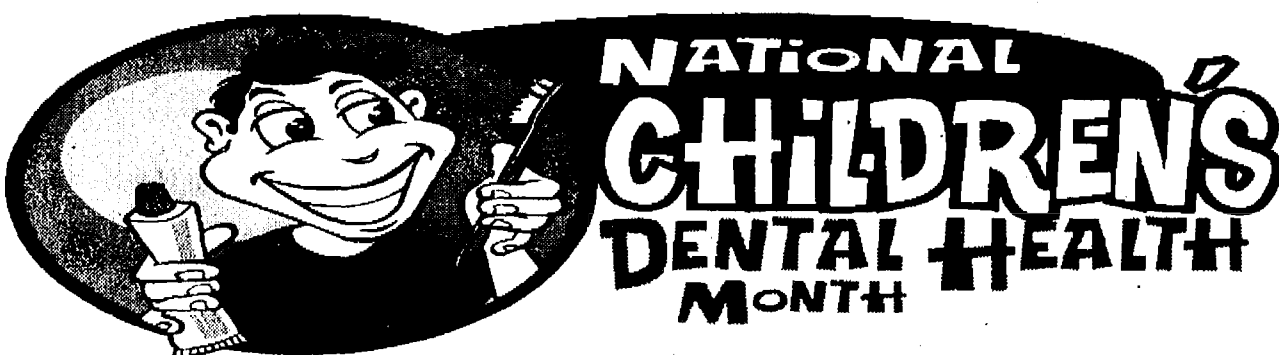
sion, 5-3. He won his next match, then lost his third contest, ending his chances for a State Finals berth.

The Individual State Wrestling Finals will be held at the Palace of Auburn Hills on March 6-8. The event, which includes 14 weight classes in four divisions

for a total of 896 wrestlers, is the largest high school wrestling tournament in America. Wrestlers from over 300 Michigan schools will be competing.

For Grayling, it is the school's 31st time sending a wrestler or wrestlers to the State Finals.

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## 9th graders win at Ogemaw

► Freshman team is 10-5 after one win, two losses last week

The GHS freshman boys basketball team snapped a four-game losing streak with a 58-50 victory at West Branch Ogemaw Heights last Friday.

"The boys really played solid defense on the road against a tough Falcons team," Coach Joe Mau said. "We finally got back to our type of basketball — tough man-to-man defense, running in transition, and rebounding the ball for four quarters. This game puts us in a great position mentally to finish our season strong."

Eli VanNuck was the leading scorer for Grayling with 26 points. He also had five steals and four rebounds. Zac Baker scored 10 and pulled down seven boards. Reagan Schmidt finished with eight points, four steals, and seven assists. Ryan Feldhauser had six points and three steals.

The Vikings also lost two close matches on the road last week.

On Monday, the Vikings lost 53-49 at Gaylord.

"The boys played three quarters of solid basketball on the road and came up short in the fourth quarter," Coach Mau said. "We need to maintain our sense of poise when the game is on the line and continue to attack the defense. Hopefully, we will execute better against Kalkaska."

VanNuck had a team-high 18 points with six rebounds and three steals vs. Gaylord.

Schmidt scored 11 with five rebounds, Feldhauser had 11 points and two steals, and Zach Dean finished with seven points and seven rebounds.

On Wednesday, the Vikings lost at Kalkaska 54-48.

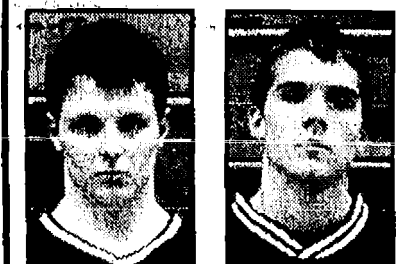
"We just plain were beat up and down the floor," Coach Mau said. "Kalkaska brought energy, enthusiasm, hustle, and pride to the game and we only matched it once in the second quarter. We definitely did not 'leave it on the floor.' Hopefully, we can give a better effort vs. Ogemaw on Friday."

Schmidt had 16 points for GHS. Feldhauser and Dean each scored seven for Grayling in the match.

The Vikings are 10-5 going into the final week of the season.

The team finishes its 2002-03 schedule with a game at Tawas on Friday, February 28.

### Wendy's Vikings of the Week



**DUSTY PARTELO & BRANDON PRATT**  
 Wrestling  
 Coach: Don Ferguson

Dusty and Brandon, both juniors at GHS, qualified for the Individual State Wrestling Finals to be held on March 6-8 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

## GMS WRESTLING

The Grayling Middle School wrestling team competed against 13 other teams at Meridian on Saturday, February 22.

Placements for Grayling included: 1st — Shane Grove, Matt Haight, Ben Brown, Stephen Grove, Eric Madill, Cody Malone, Jeff Bancroft, Jeff

Harwood, Corey Metzger, Josh Partello; 2nd — Mykel Revord, Keith Revord, Cory Shear; 3rd — Jeff Woolsey, Tory Myers, Krystal Babbitt.

The team will host a meet on Saturday, March 1, at Grayling High School. Wrestling begins at approximately 9:30 a.m.

## GRA WRESTLING

On Saturday, February 22, the Grayling Recreation Authority youth wrestling team traveled to Meridian to compete against 13 other teams.

Placements for Grayling included: 1st — Kyle Schmidt, Zach Mack, Cody Elmy, Joey Schwartz, Daniel DuVall, Zach

Wolcott, Joey Contreras, Matt Townsend; 2nd — Jon Petrie, Calvin Kangas, Derek Babbitt, Shayla Grove; 3rd — Ty Jensen, Ashton Linkhart, Austin Harris, Kyle Peters; 4th — Luke Schneider.

The team will compete in a home meet on Saturday, March 1, at Grayling High School. The meet starts at 9:30 a.m.

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By Mayoral Proclamation on February 24, 1999, March 5 was designated 'Fred Bear Day' in Grayling, Michigan.



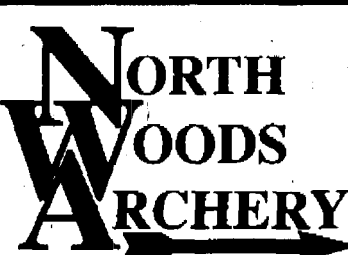
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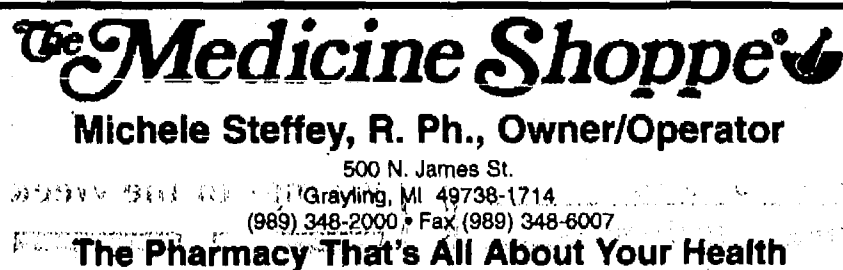
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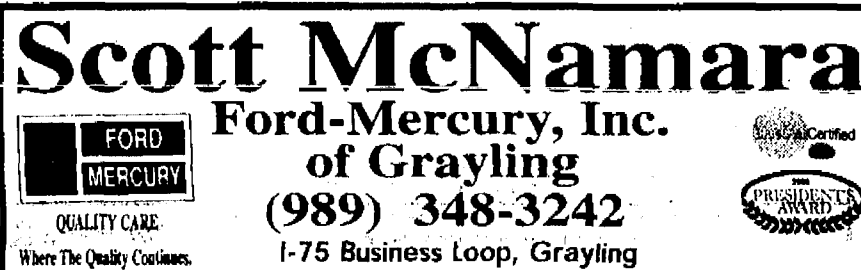
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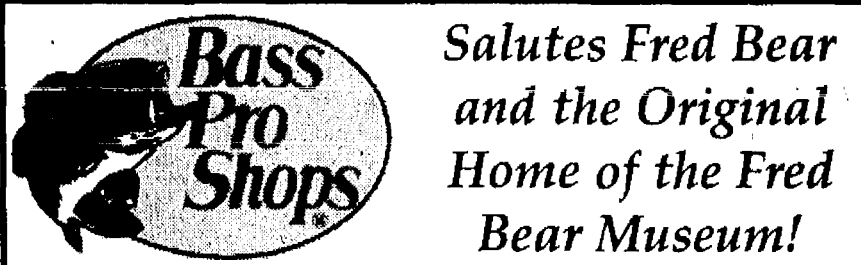
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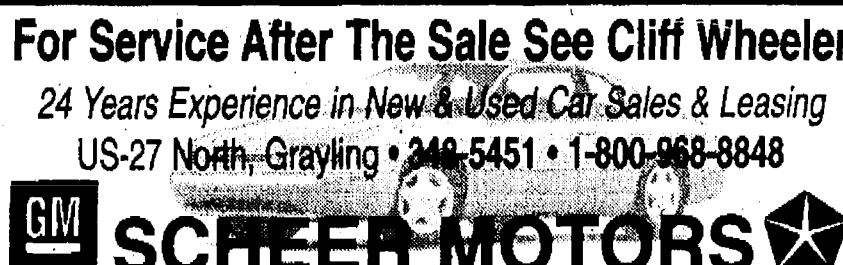
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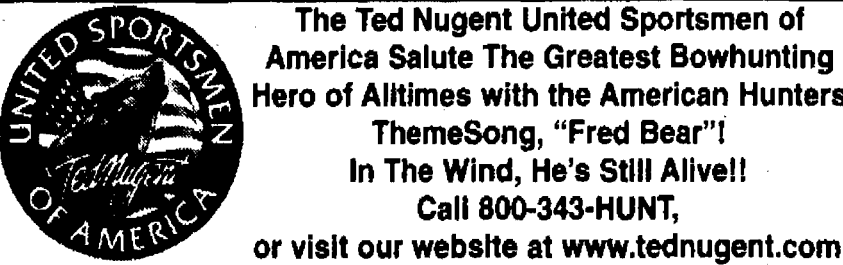
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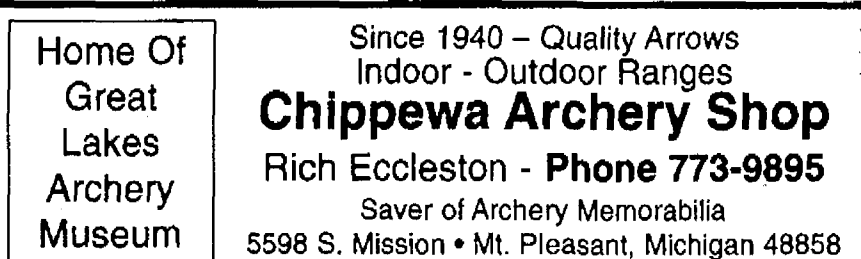
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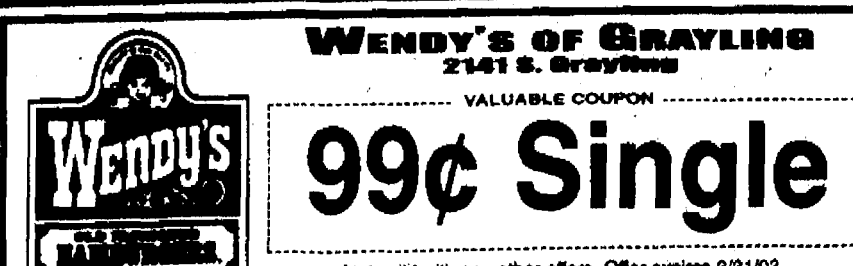
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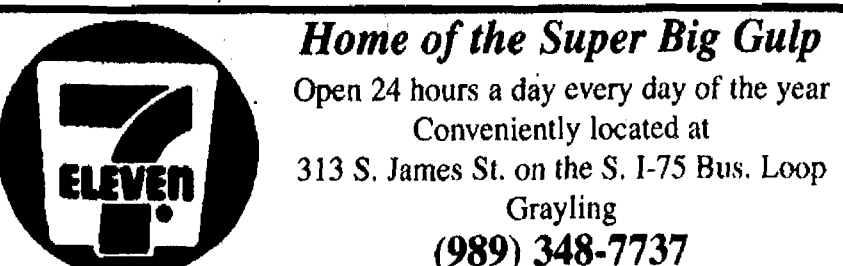
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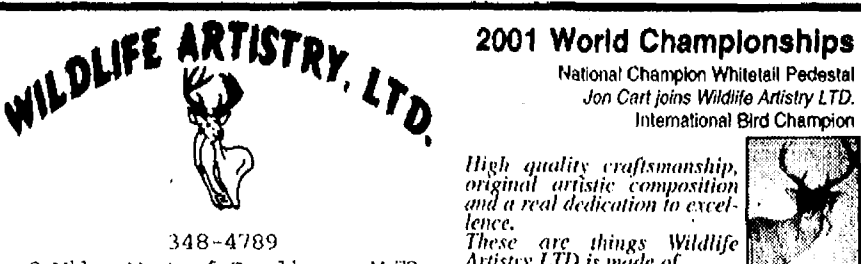
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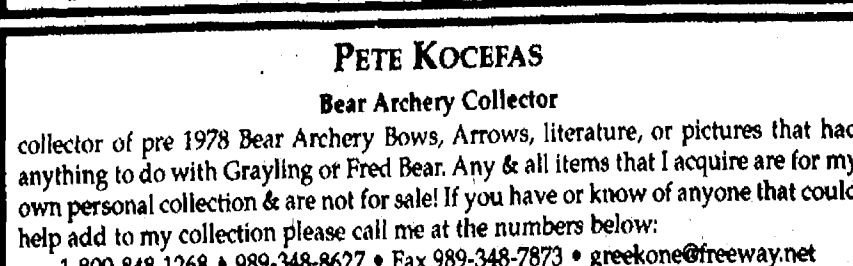
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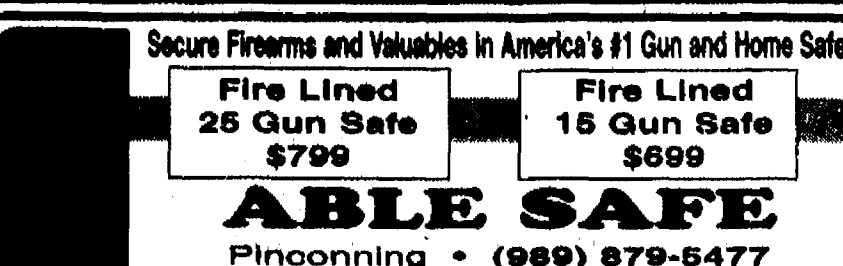
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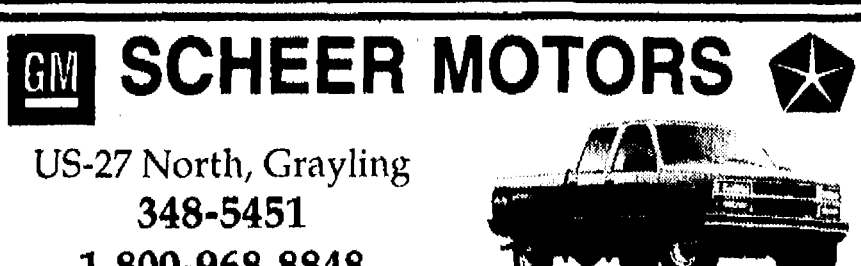
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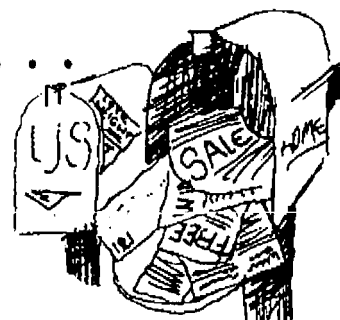


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## LEGAL ACTION

### CITY OF GRAYLING PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that The Grayling City Council has scheduled a Special Council Meeting and Public hearing to take public comments on a City Recreation Plan and approve a plan to submit to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

This special meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 1, 2003 at the Grayling City Hall, 5688 M-72 West, Grayling, MI 49738. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case at hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 5688 M-72 West, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

Michele Moshier  
City Clerk

### CITY OF GRAYLING PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that The Grayling City Council has scheduled an Informational Session on the DDA. The City's Consulting firm, Gosling-Czubak will be present to answer questions and inform the general public on the process.

This session is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12, 2003 at the AuSable Primary School Library, 306 Plum Street, Grayling, MI 49738. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case at hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 5688 M-72 West, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

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# Grayling beats Gaylord 81-69

► Varsity team  
moves to 11-6  
with 12-point win  
over Blue Devils

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The Vikings of Grayling High school won a hard-fought non-conference varsity boys basketball match-up vs. the Blue Devils of Gaylord last Tuesday in Grayling.

The victory improved Grayling's season record to 11-6 and avenged an early season loss to the Blue Devils at Gaylord.

Graylord took a quick 6-0 lead on a free throw, a three-point play, and an alley-oop jam. Grayling scored two on a lay-up by Andy Strohpaul. Down 9-2, the Vikings went on an 8-0 run that included two free throws by Strohpaul, a put-back by Greg Morrill, a shot inside by Roy Czapek, and a lay-up by Gibson Tobin.

Grayling led by one after the run. Gaylord scored to take a one-point lead. The Vikings scored six straight points - on a jumper by Travis Helsel, two free throws by Roger Alvarez, and a jump shot by Czapek - to take a 16-11 lead. The Blue Devils scored the next five points to tie the game at 16-16. A three-point-er by Tobin at the first period buzzer gave Grayling a 19-16 edge going into the second quarter.

The Vikings scored 24 second period points to Gaylord's 18.

Grayling's 24 points were the result of a triple by Morrill, jumpers by Adam Kaiser and Tobin, a put-back by Joe Lange, two triples by Chad Helsel, a jumper by Czapek, a put-back by Morrill, and free throws by Tobin, C. Helsel, and T. Helsel.

Grayling led by nine, 43-34, at halftime.

After three quarters of play, the Vikings still had a nine-point

advantage. Both teams scored 17 points in the third period.

The Vikings scored their 17 on a put-back by Czapek, a jumper by C. Helsel, two free throws by Czapek, a jumper by T. Helsel, a triple by T. Helsel, jumpers by Czapek and Tobin, and a drive by Tobin following a steal.

Grayling took a 60-51 lead into the fourth quarter.

The Blue Devils opened the fourth period with a triple to pull within six. A drive by Kaiser following a steal put Grayling up by eight. Two free throws by Gaylord cut Grayling's edge back to six.

A put-back by Lange gave the Vikings an eight-point lead. A shot inside and a free throw by Gaylord pulled the Blue Devils within five.

The Vikings responded with a 10-0 run that spanned 2:30 of clock time. The run - which included free throws by Tobin (2 for 2) and Lange (3 for 4), a shot inside by Alvarez on a pass from Kaiser, and a three-point play by Lange - put the Vikings up by 15 (74-59) with 2:48 left in regulation.

Gaylord scored on a drive to pull within 13.

The Blue Devils fouled Tobin, and were whistled for a technical foul after the play. Tobin, shooting his two foul shots and the foul shots for the technical, hit three of four at the line to give Grayling a 77-61 advantage.

Gaylord scored two on a pair of free throws. The Vikings answered with a shot inside by Alvarez. The Blue Devils scored another two points on two free throws.

Grayling, up 79-65 with 1:45 left, killed some time off the clock. Gaylord fouled, stopping the clock at the 0:58 mark. Kaiser hit both free throws.

Gaylord scored four more points on a pair of free throw and a two-point basket, and that was it. The Vikings won by a final score of 81-69.



Photos by Caleb Casey

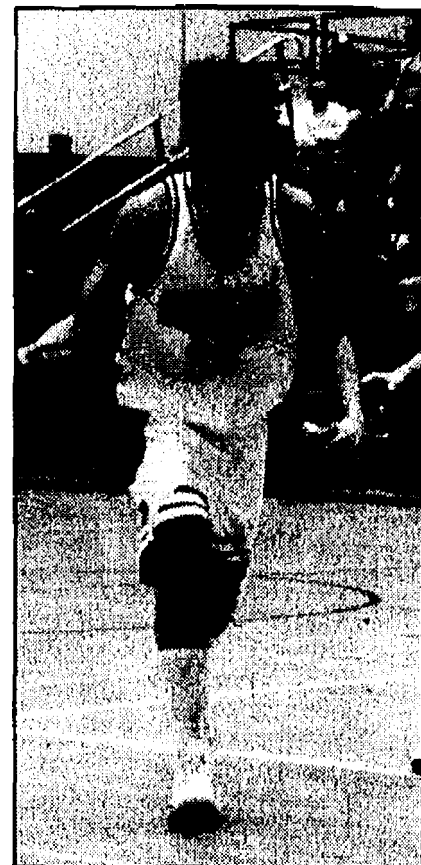
Roy Czapek posts up for Grayling in the game against Gaylord on Tuesday.

"I was pleased with our intensity level throughout this game," said Coach Rich Moffit. "Our kids did a good job of distributing the ball to the open man. We are playing 'team basketball.' At the defensive end of the court, our guys covered for each other."

"Our bench was solid tonight. Chad Helsel and Greg Morrill played well," Coach Moffit said. "This was also a special night for our three seniors - Adam Kaiser, Roger Alvarez, and Caleb Mead. It was great to see them go out on a winning note in their last home game."

Tobin and Lange both posted double-doubles in the match. Tobin had a team-high 19 points and 11 assists. Lange had 10 points and a team-high 10 rebounds. He also had five blocks. Czapek scored 12 points and had four steals.

The Vikings will finish their regular season with a conference battle at Tawas on Friday,



Adam Kaiser handles the ball for the Vikings on Tuesday night.

February 28. Districts start next week.

## Volleyball Districts set for Saturday

Grayling High School's varsity girls volleyball team will start its post-season schedule with a first round District Tournament match against Houghton Lake on Saturday, March 1, at Cheboygan High School.

The tournament will be a one-day event. Teams that lose are finished for the season. The District champion will advance to Regionals.

On Saturday, the Grayling vs. Houghton Lake contest - scheduled for 9 a.m. - will be the first match of the tournament.

The winner will face Cheboygan or West Branch Ogemaw Heights.

Kalkaska, which drew a first round "bye," will play the winner of Roscommon vs. Harrison in the District semi-finals at 12:30 p.m.

The District #62 championship match is scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

### Class 'B' Girls Volleyball District

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(Semi-Final) 12:30 p.m.

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(1st Round) 10:45 a.m.

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District #62 Tournament  
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(Final) 2:30 p.m.

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(1st Round) 9 a.m.

Houghton Lake

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(Semi-Final) 12:30 p.m.

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(1st Round) 10:45 a.m.

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All matches will be held on  
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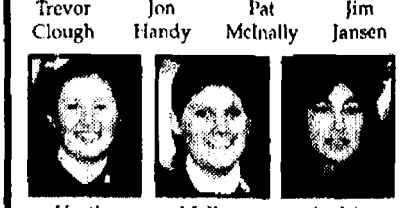


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Trevor Clough, Jon Handy, Pat McNally, Jim Jansen, Heather Vandecar, Mallory Olson, and Andria Alvarez all finished within the top six of Grayling's Burger King Invitational, earning medals for the meet.

## Ski team wins Grayling meet



Photo by Caleb Casey

GHS skier Jon Handy competes in the giant slalom event at last Thursday's Burger King Invitational at Hanson Hills. Handy finished 1st in the GS race. Grayling's boys and girls ski teams won the meet, defeating Clare and Roscommon. For more on the event, see next week's edition of the Crawford County Avalanche.



## LEGAL ACTION

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Paula L. Bergbreiter and Danny C. Bergbreiter husband and wife (original mortgagors) to First Union National Bank of Delaware, a National Banking Association, Mortgagee, dated January 5, 2001, and recorded on February 1, 2001 in Liber 527 on Page 570 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Lender, its successors and assigns, as assignee by an assignment dated June 2, 2002, which was recorded on August 2, 2002, in Liber 590 on Page 496 Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Eight and 81/100 dollars (\$66,288.81), including interest at 11.800% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on March 26, 2003.

Said premises are situated in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the Southwest corner post of Section 25, Town 28 North, Range 3 West; thence North on the Section Line 1330.8 Feet to the 1/8 Post For A Place of Beginning; Thence East 300 Feet; Thence South 75 feet; Thence West 300 Feet; Thence North 75 Feet to the Place of Beginning, Less Highway Right-of-Way. Being a Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 28 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 20, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team G (248) 593-1310  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200311266  
Team G

-20-27-06-13

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure

William Azkoul P.C. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the conditions of a real estate mortgage made by John L. Gay and Catherine E. Gay, husband and wife, whose address is 7076 Sampson Street, Frederic, Michigan 49733, and Bond Mortgage & Investment Corporation, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, whose address is 2007 Eastern, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49507, dated July 29, 2002, and recorded on August 14, 2002, in Liber 592, Page 318 of the Crawford County Register of Deeds, which mortgage has been assigned to Northpointe Bank, whose address is 770 Kenmoor S.E., Suite 201, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546, by virtue of an Assignment of Mortgage dated August 2, 2002, and recorded on August 14, 2002 with the Crawford County Register of Deeds at Liber 592, Page 334 and upon which there is now claimed to be due for principal and interest the sum of Forty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Two Dollars and Twenty Four Cents (\$44,902.24) and no suit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the said debt or any part thereof.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on March 12, 2003 at 10:00 a.m., the undersigned will sell at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford at public venue to the highest bidder for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said Mortgage, together with the legal fees and charges of the sale, including attorney's fees allowed by law, the premises in said mortgage located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County and which are described as follows:

Parcel C-1

Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point located distant North 01 degrees 09 minutes 50 seconds East, along the East line of said Section 11 a distance of 1298.19 feet and South 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds West, 275.0 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 11; thence South 01 degrees 09 minutes 50 seconds West, 162.28 feet; thence South 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds West, 275.00 feet; thence North 01 degrees 09 minutes 50 seconds East, 162.28 feet; thence North 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds East, 275.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Subject to and together with the right of ingress and egress over a 66 foot wide easement over said Section 11, centerline of said easement described as beginning at a point of the Easterly right-of-way line of Old U.S. 27 Highway, located distant North 01 degrees 09 minutes 50 seconds East along the East line of said Section 11 a distance of 1298.19 feet and South 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds West, 1130.58 feet and South 07 degrees 02 minutes 22 seconds East, 162.93 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 11; thence North 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds East, 832.31 feet to the point of ending. P.P. #030-011-016-030-03 which has an address of 7076 Sampson Street, Frederic, Michigan 49733.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 29, 2003  
Drafted By:  
William M. Azkoul (P40071)  
Attorney for Mortgagee  
161 Ottawa Ave., NW  
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Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
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Grand Rapids, MI 49548

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### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by John W. Meredith and Lexis L. Meredith, husband and wife, of Grayling, Michigan (Mortgagors) to Banc One Financial Services, Inc., (Mortgagee) dated May 26, 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on June 23, 1999 in Liber 484, Page 447, Crawford County Records and was assigned by an assignment dated March 31, 2000 to Household Finance Corporation III, a

Delaware Corporation, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on September 7, 2000 in Liber 516, Page 627, Crawford County Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of \$163,165.82 including interest at the rate of 12.990% per annum together with any additional sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of April, 2003 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., the undersigned will: at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan foreclose said mortgage by selling at public auction to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amounts due on said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorneys fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

Land situated in the Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, is described as follows:

Parcel H  
Part of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, Town 25 North, Range 4 West, commencing at the Northwest corner of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, thence South 00 degrees 44' 15" West (along the 1/8 line), 667 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 32' 20" East, 653.39 feet, thence South 00 degrees 45' 37" West, 667.5 feet, thence South 89 degrees 32' 30" West, 653.42 feet, thence North 00 degrees 44' 15" East, 667.5 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Tax ID#20-051-002-009-055-00  
The redemption period shall be twelve months from the date of such sale unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2003  
Richard L. McDonnell (P38788)  
Attorney for Assignee  
38500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 300  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304-5051  
(248) 540-7500  
Household Finance Corporation III  
Assignee

-27-06-13-20-27

### TAXPAYERS OF MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP

The Maple Forest Township Board of Review will hold its organizational meeting on March 4, 2003 at 9 am.

The Board of Review will meet with the public on:

Mon., March 10, 2003	9am - noon
	1pm - 4pm
Thurs., March 13, 2003	1pm - 4pm
	6pm - 9pm

All meetings will be held at the township hall, located at 8996 N. Sherman Rd.

The purpose of these meetings will be to hear petitioners who wish to appeal their assessments, classifications, and to answer any questions pertaining to the tax roll.

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Commercial	50.00	1.0000

Mark D. Kniss  
Supervisor  
Maple Forest Township

### NOTICE South Branch Township Board of Review

**\*\*Residents and Non-Residents may protest in writing\*\***

The South Branch Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 5245 N. M-18, Roscommon, MI 48653, on the following dates:

Organizational Meeting: Tuesday, March 4, 2003, 1:00 p.m.  
To Hear Taxpayer Petitions: Monday, March 10, 2003,  
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.;  
Wednesday, March 12, 2003, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
and 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Agricultural	50.00	1.00000
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA41.72(2A)(3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The South Branch Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon ten (10) days notice to the South Branch Township Board.

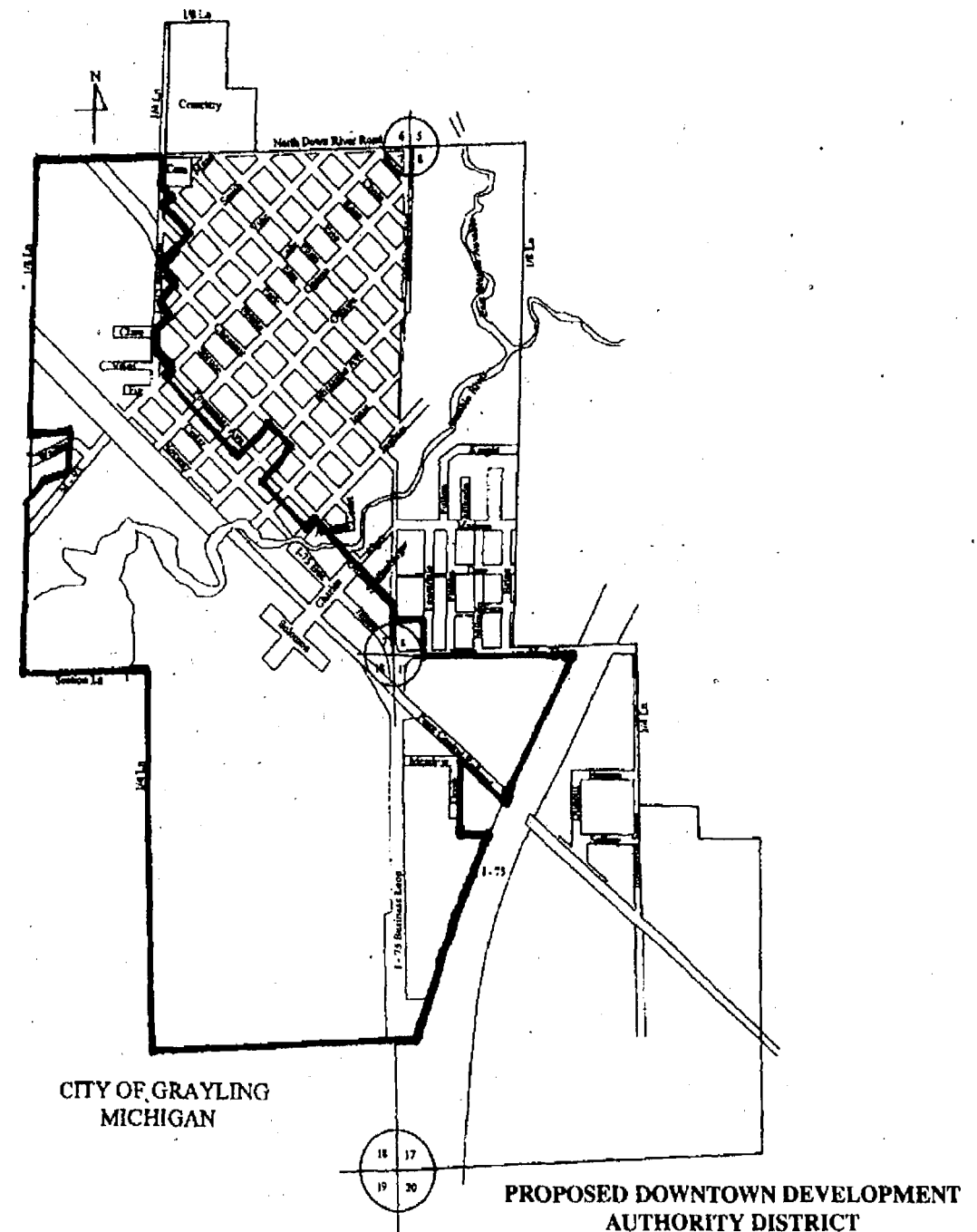
Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the South Branch Township Board by writing or calling the following:

Laura Smith, Clerk  
PO Box 606  
5245 N. M-18  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(989) 275-8232

### CITY OF GRAYLING NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of Grayling will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, March 19, 2003 at The Grayling Elementary School, 1000 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738, to consider the adoption of an Ordinance establishing a Downtown Development Authority for the City of Grayling pursuant to Act 197 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1975, as amended. All city residents are invited to attend this meeting.

The proposed boundaries of the downtown district in which the Downtown Development Authority will exercise its powers are generally described as follows and shown on the map below:



Downtown Development Authority Boundary Description  
City of Grayling, Michigan

The properties described below shall constitute the Grayling Downtown Development Authority District:

Parcel A:

The portion of Section 17, T26N, R3W lying Northwest of the Western Right of Way line of Interstate 75 Highway except:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W, thence South 01 degrees 53 minutes west along the section line 692.75 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes, East 130 feet; thence South 01 degrees 53 minutes West 423.25 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 499.5 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes West 113.59 feet; thence South 45 degrees 49 minutes East along the Right of Way of PCRR 767.6 feet; thence South 27 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds West along the Western Right of Way of I-75 240 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 397.96 feet; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes East 620.52 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 66.0 feet to Point of Beginning; and excepting

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W; thence 0 degree 51 minutes 10 seconds West 1182 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 629.5 feet; thence South 1 degree 53 minutes 54 seconds West 554.42 feet to Point of Beginning; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 463.72 feet; thence South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 329.28 feet; thence North 62 degrees 40 minutes 42 seconds West 225.04 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 118.74 feet; thence North 1 degree 47 minutes 28 seconds East 200.69 feet to Point of Beginning; and excepting

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W; thence South 0 degree 51 minutes 10 seconds West 1182 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 629.5 feet; thence South 1 degree 53 minutes 54 seconds West 554.42 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 463.72 feet; thence South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 329.28 feet to Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 275 feet; thence North 88 degrees 6 minutes 59 seconds West 203.28 feet; thence North 1 degree 47 minutes 28 seconds East 345 feet; thence South 88 degrees 7 minutes East 118.74 feet; thence South 62 degrees 40 minutes 42 seconds East 225.04 feet to Point of Beginning.

Parcel B:

The East of Section 18, T26N, R3W lying North of the South 1/8th line of said section.

Parcel C:

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W lying between the West 1/8th line and South of the Northern Right of Way line of the Lake State Railroad.

Parcel D:

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W, lying West of the Eastern Right of Way line of Business Loop I-75 and North of the Southern Right of Way line of M-72 highway; and

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W, beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 7, T26N, R3W, thence North to the intersection of the Centerline of Oliver Street; thence Northerly along said Centerline to the North line of the AuSable River; thence Westerly along said North line of the AuSable River to the North Right of Way line of the Lake States Railroad; thence Southerly along said Lake States Railroad Right of Way line to the South line of Section 7, T26N, R8W; thence East to the Point of Beginning; and

That part of the Original Plat of the City of Grayling located south of the Centerline of Peninsular Avenue, extended to the North line of the AuSable River and north of the North Right of Way of the Lake State Railroad, and south of Lake Street, except lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of Block 3, and except lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of block 14, and except lots 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Block 15, and except lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, Block 16, and except lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Block 18; and

That portion of lots 1, 2, 3, 10, 11 and 12 of Block 11, and lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 of Block 20 and the adjacent portion of Spruce Street, in the Original Plat of the City of Grayling; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling lying northwest of lots 6 and 7, Block 27; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling known as lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Block 27 and all of Block 31 of the City of Grayling; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling known as lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Block 32 of the city of Grayling; and

Parcel C and Block 10 of the original plat of the City of Grayling.

Parcel E:

That part of Section 8, T26N, R3W known as Lot 1 of Martha M. Brink's Addition to the City of Grayling.

All aspects of the establishment of the Downtown Development Authority and the boundaries of the downtown district will be open for discussion at the public hearing. The City Council will provide an opportunity for interested persons to speak and be heard and shall receive and consider communications in writing with reference thereto. The proposed Ordinance establishing the Authority and designating the boundaries of the downtown district is on file with the City Clerk and available for public inspection.

Michele A. Moshier  
City Clerk



# LEGAL ACTION

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

As a debt collector, we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify (248) 362-6100 if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Francis E. McRae Jr. and Lillian A. McRae, husband and wife of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagee to Fifth Third Bank, successor-in-interest by merger to Old Kent Bank dated the 21st day of September, A.D. 1998, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 12th day of October, A.D. 1998, in Liber 465 of Crawford Records, on page 247, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$44,749.45 (Forty four thousand, Seven hundred forty nine dollars and forty five cents) including interest there on at 7.99% (seven point nine nine) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of March, A.D., 2003, at 10 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Grayling, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Lot(s) 36, Grayling Mobile Estates No. 2, according to the plat thereof

Commonly known as: 302 Alexia Lane Tax ID: 040-45-281-00-036-00

The redemption period shall be from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 13, 2003  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis  
Co., L.P.A.  
Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)  
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee

Weltman, Weinberg & Reis  
Co., L.P.A.  
755 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite 1820  
Troy, Michigan 48064  
WWR# 02694431  
Property to be posted:  
302 Alexia Lane  
Grayling, MI 49738  
-13-20-27-06-13

Dated: February 13, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team S (248) 593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200312634  
Team S  
-13-20-27-06

case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.  
Dated: February 13, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team D (248) 593-1309  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200312104  
Team D  
-13-20-27-06

229 Court Street  
P.O. Box 405  
Cheboygan, MI 49721  
(231) 627-4351  
-30-06-13-20-27

## STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL DISTRICT CRAWFORD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION/POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION 200 WEST MICHIGAN AVENUE GRAYLING, MICHIGAN 49738

Case No. 03 5971 CH (D)

Lynn G. Kruse, Trustee of the Goetsch Living Trust  
Frances T. Hixon  
Estate of Phyllis A. Brock  
Ellen Eid  
Estate of Roland E. Towne  
Faye D. Sullivan  
Polly Mae Bechtol  
Estate of Kimberly Ford  
Peggy Anderson  
Estate of Laurice Anderson  
Estate of Jeffery Ford  
Estate of Alice G. Murray  
Estate of John Daniel Murray  
Dale F. Murray  
Fredric R. Murray  
Terry Douglas Strickland  
Estate of Mabel Larson  
Helen A. Thomey  
TO: All Defendants listed  
IT IS ORDERED:

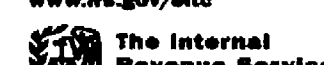
You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to partition the following-described properties: SW/4 of NW/4 of Sec 16, T25N, R4W AND SE/4 of SE/4 of Sec 18, T25N, R4W, Beaver Creek Township Crawford County, Michigan. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before April 10, 2003. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

Dated: February 18, 2003  
Judge F. Murphy (for)  
Honorable Alton T. Davis  
David R. Sabin P19822  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
115 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, MI 49738  
989/348-5588  
-27-06-13



## The Earned Income Tax Credit. You may have earned it. Why not claim it?

If you're working hard just to make ends meet and have one or more children living with you, you may qualify for the EITC. Think of it as a reward for doing one of life's most beautiful, most important and most loving jobs. Visit our Web site or ask your tax preparer if you qualify. Because when it comes to getting more for your family, consider it done. A message from the Internal Revenue Service. [www.irs.gov/etct](http://www.irs.gov/etct)



## LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Lovells Township Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals each have two, three and four year terms expiring March 31, 2003. Any resident interested in applying for either board position please call the Lovells Township Supervisor at 348-9215 by March 11, 2003. The offices are open on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 to 3.

Cheryl Hopp  
Lovells Township Clerk

## FREDERIC TWP. NOTICE BOARD OF REVIEW

The Frederic Township Board of Review will hold its organizational meeting on Tues., March 4, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. at the Frederic Twp. Hall, Kelly Ave., Frederic, MI 49733. Phone: 989-348-8778.

The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers wishing to appeal their assessments as follows

Mon., March 10, 2003	2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Sat., March 15, 2003	9:00 A.M. - 12 Noon 1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Ronald D. Lewis  
Frederic Twp. Supervisor

## South Branch Township

### NOTICE OF BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING & ANNUAL MEETING FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL FUNDS.

The South Branch Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed Township Budget for fiscal year 2003/04 at South Branch Township Hall, 5245 N. M-18, Roscommon, MI 48653, on March 11, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.; Annual Meeting March 11, 2003 after regular meeting.

**The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of the hearing.**

A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the South Branch Township Hall.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended, MCLA 41.72a(2)(3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act. The South Branch Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 10 days notice to the Township Board. Individuals with disabilities should contact the Board by writing or calling Laura Smith, Clerk, South Branch Township Hall, PO Box 606, Roscommon, MI 48653. (989) 275-8232.

### Notice South Branch Township

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Open Meetings Act, the Township of South Branch does hereby establish that there will be one (1) regular monthly meeting held by the Township Board as follows:

- All meetings will be held at the Township Hall, 5245 N. M-18, Roscommon.
- Meetings will be held on the second (2nd) Tuesday of each month and will commence promptly at 7:00 p.m.
- Dates of the regular meetings are as follows:  

April 8, 2003	May 13, 2003	June 10, 2003
July 8, 2003	August 12, 2003	September 9, 2003
October 14, 2003	November 11, 2003	December 9, 2003
January 13, 2004	February 10, 2004	March 9, 2004

**Annual Meeting: March 11, 2003**

A summary of the Adopted Budget for 2003/04 and Financial Statement for year ending March 31, 2003 are available for public inspection at the South Branch Township Hall located at 5245 N. M-18, Roscommon

\*\*South Branch Township will be taking applications for all job openings that might occur. Please feel free to call the office at (989) 275-8232 and ask for Laura and/or Dee.\*\*

## CITY OF GRAYLING PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that I have scheduled a Planning Commission Public hearing concerning:

The Zoning map of The City of Grayling regarding the West side of the Business Loop from the AuSable River to Charles Street and the East side of the Business Loop from Ingham Street to Charles Street changing the Zoning from a R-1 District (Single Family Residential) to a C-3 District (Highway Commercial).

The Public Hearing to consider this matter is scheduled for 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 11, 2003 at the Grayling City Hall, 5688 M-72 West, Grayling, MI 49738. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend said Public Hearing and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case at hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 5688 M-72 West, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

Michele Moshier  
City Clerk

## NOTICE LOVELLS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS

As required by the provisions of the OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT PA 267, the Lovells Township Board hereby lists and posts the dates, times, and places of all its regular meetings during the 2003-2004 fiscal year as follows:

All regular board meetings will be held at the Lovells Township Hall.

All regular board meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month and will commence promptly at 7:00 p.m. on the following dates:

April 8, 2003	October 14, 2003
May 13, 2003	November 11, 2003
June 10, 2003	December 9, 2003
July 8, 2003	January 13, 2004
August 12, 2003	February 10, 2004
September 9, 2003	March 9, 2004

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD and ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS will meet on Monday, April 7, 2003 and Monday, October 6, 2003.

BOARD OF REVIEW will meet for an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 4th, at 4:00 p.m., with taxpayers Monday, March 10th from 9:00 to 4:00 p.m. and Thursday, March 13th from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. The board also meets Tuesday, July 22nd and Tuesday, December 9th, 2003.

All changes and special meetings will be posted eighteen (18) hours in advance.

Cheryl Hopp  
Lovells Township Clerk

## LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The budget hearing for the General Fund, Landfill Fund, Liquor Fund, and Library Fund for fiscal year 2003-2004 will be held at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Lovells Township Board on Tuesday, March 11, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.

The budgets will be accepted at a special meeting of the board on Thursday, March 27, 2003 at 10:00 a.m.

Cheryl Hopp  
Lovells Township Clerk

## CITY OF GRAYLING BOARD OF REVIEW

The City of Grayling Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall located on M-72 West.

The Board will reconvene at the same location to address and meet with taxpayers on Monday, March 10, 2003, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. There will also be a meeting with the public on Saturday, March 15, 2003 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Petitioners are requested to bring data supporting their contentions of values when meeting with the Board. Petitioners will be addressed on a "first-come-first-served" basis.

Class	Factor	RATIO
Commercial	1.0000	50.00
Industrial	1.0000	50.00
Residential	1.0000	50.00
Personal Property	1.0000	50.00

This notice is given in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended, MCLA41.72(2A)(3) and ADA.

Larry D. Hunter  
Assessor  
City of Grayling

# PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notices in Newspapers.  
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## LEGAL ACTION

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sharon Larkin a married woman (original mortgagors) to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 15, 2002, and recorded on February 19, 2002 in Liber 570 on Page 410 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Eighty-Eight and 54/100 dollars (\$51,088.54), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M., on April 2, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, thence West 4 rods for a point of beginning, thence West 10 rods, thence North 40 rods, thence East 10 rods, thence South 40 rods to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 27, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team X (248) 593-1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200312907  
Team X

-27-06-13-20

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

**MORTGAGE SALE**: Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made on July 27, 2000 with Gerald D. Smith and Susan M. Smith, husband and wife, as Mortgagor, and Diversified Mortgage Finance Company, as Mortgagee, and recorded on August 14, 2000 in the Office of the Register of

Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, in Liber 514, Page 625, and was assigned to Northpointe Bank on July 27, 2000, and the Assignment was filed on August 14, 2000 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, in Liber 514, Page 635, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid as of the date of this notice the sum of \$32,627.24 inclusive of accrued interest, and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt or any part thereof secured by said Mortgage;

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on Wednesday, March 26, 2003, at 10:00 a.m., at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder or bidders at public auction or vendue, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on said Mortgage, together with interest rate of 17.95% percent, all allowable costs of sale and applicable attorney fees, the lands and premises in said Mortgage mentioned and described as follows:

Legally Described as: Land situated in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Described as: Beginning at a point which is 492 feet E and 330 feet N of the SW corner of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of S17, T26, R2W; thence E298 feet to the right of way of the county road; thence northeasterly along said right of way 186.2 feet; thence S 165 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of S17, T26, R2W. Tax ID: 200404001 70522000

The period within which the above premises may be redeemed shall expire six months from the date of sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; MSA 27A.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 31, 2002  
Patrick Timothy Reid, II  
REID AND REID  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
Business & Trade Center  
200 N. Washington Square, Ste. 400  
Lansing, Michigan 48933-1384  
Telephone: (517) 487-6566  
-06-13-20-07-06

### STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 46TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION/POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION 200 WEST MICHIGAN AVENUE GRAYLING, MICHIGAN 49738

Case No. 02-5949-CH  
Jeffrey Norman Nelson, Jr.  
c/o Curtis G. Broughton, P-47200  
800 W. Cedar Street  
P.O. Box 1159  
Standish, Michigan 48658  
(989) 846-2770  
Edwin G. Nelson  
10842 Chase Bridge  
Roscommon, Michigan 48653  
TO: Edwin G. Nelson

#### IT IS ORDERED:

1. You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to quiet title to land in South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, further described as:

Land situated in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, to wit:

Parcel 4: Being a part of the Southeast one-quarter (1/4) of the Southeast one-quarter (1/4), Section 28, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 28 and running thence North 619.3 feet to the Point of Beginning, thence North 89° 18' West 711.66 feet; thence North 0° 03' East 178.0 feet; thence South 89° 18' East 711.51 feet; thence South 178.0 feet to the Point of Beginning. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before March 31, 2003. If you fail to do so, a default judgement may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

2. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in Crawford County Avalanche for three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

3. Plaintiff shall post a copy of this order in the courthouse, and at the Crawford County Sheriff's Department and at the Roscommon City Post Office for three continuous weeks, and shall file proof of posting in this court.

4. A copy of this order shall be sent to Edwin G. Nelson at the last known address by registered mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication, and the affidavit of mailing shall be filed with this court.

Dated: January 31, 2003  
Judge Alton T. Davis (P-24472)  
Curtis G. Broughton, P-47200  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
Broughton & Vollbach Law Office  
808 W. Cedar Street

P.O. Box 1159  
Standish, Michigan 48658  
(989) 846-2770

-27-06-13

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kenley Bielby and Caroline Rosser, a single man and a single woman (original mortgagors) to Northwestern Savings Bank & Trust, Mortgagee, dated December 23, 2000, and recorded on January 5, 2001 in Liber 526 on Page 164 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority, a public body corporate and politic of the State of Michigan, as assignee by an assignment dated December 23, 2000, which was recorded on January 5, 2001, in Liber 526 on Page 171 Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Five and 18/100 dollars (\$78,865.18), including interest at 7.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front


door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M., on April 2, 2003. Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 2, Block 17, of Roffee's Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 27, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team J (248) 593-1311  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200313924  
Team J

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## 2003 CRAWFORD COUNTY TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS

CLASS	ASSESSED	EQUALIZED	RATIOS	FACTORS
<b>BEAVER CREEK - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	274,600	340,418	40.32	1.2401
201 Commercial	2,687,000	3,404,714	39.46	1.2671
301 Industrial	13,562,300	13,562,300	50.00	1.0000
401 Residential	40,448,800	44,913,169	45.03	1.1104
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	56,972,600	62,220,601	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	20,529,300	20,723,082	49.45	1.0111
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	77,501,900	82,943,683	-	-
<b>FREDERIC - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	3,477,400	3,478,096	49.99	1.0002
201 Commercial	1,815,600	2,033,147	44.65	1.1198
301 Industrial	327,800	408,321	40.14	1.2456
401 Residential	44,942,300	49,052,936	45.81	1.0915
501 Timber Cut-Over	1,894,800	2,332,349	40.62	1.2309
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	52,457,900	57,304,849	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	6,969,800	6,969,837	50.00	1.0000
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	59,427,700	64,274,686	-	-
<b>GRAYLING - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	1,903,900	2,369,803	40.17	1.2447
201 Commercial	8,204,800	9,459,073	43.37	1.1529
301 Industrial	22,003,800	24,467,439	44.97	1.1119
401 Residential	161,430,900	174,746,590	46.19	1.0825
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	193,543,400	211,042,905	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	6,033,400	6,034,682	49.99	1.0002
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	199,576,800	217,077,587	-	-
<b>LOVELLS - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	3,682,900	3,975,497	46.32	1.0794
201 Commercial	1,014,000	1,112,574	45.57	1.0972
301 Industrial	-	-	-	-
401 Residential	51,237,500	59,509,292	43.05	1.1614
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	55,934,400	64,597,363	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	3,860,900	3,860,914	49.99	1.0002
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	59,795,300	68,458,277	-	-
<b>MAPLE FOREST - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	312,800	320,492	48.80	1.0246
201 Commercial	516,800	568,162	45.48	1.0994
301 Industrial	1,139,600	1,139,600	50.00	1.0000
401 Residential	18,404,400	20,721,009	44.41	1.1259
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	20,373,600	22,749,263	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	1,704,700	1,706,686	49.94	1.0012
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	22,078,300	24,455,949	-	-
<b>SOUTH BRANCH - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	2,985,700	3,253,814	45.88	1.0898
201 Commercial	1,941,600	2,465,837	39.37	1.2700
301 Industrial	-	-	-	-
401 Residential	80,869,900	90,803,840	44.53	1.1228
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	443,300	656,935	33.74	1.4819
TOTAL REAL	86,240,500	97,180,426	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	2,974,400	2,990,959	49.72	1.0056
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	89,214,900	100,171,385	-	-
<b>CITY OF GRAYLING - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	-	-	-	-
201 Commercial	28,611,100	34,646,525	41.29	1.2109
301 Industrial	4,760,100	5,768,420	41.26	1.2118
401 Residential	17,172,500	18,156,587	47.29	1.0573
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	50,543,700	58,571,532	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	6,159,600	6,159,384	50.00	1.0000
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	56,703,200	64,730,916	-	-

Prepared by: Crawford County Equalization Department

### GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Grayling Township's Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, Michigan 49738; (989) 348-4361.

The Board of Review will re-convene at the same address to meet with taxpayers starting at 9:00 a.m. Monday, March 10, 2003, until 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. This year the Board of Review will also be held on Thursday, March 13th from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday March 15th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Petitioners will be received on a "first-come-first-served basis" and can also protest by mail.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO
Agricultural	50.00
Commercial	49.24
Industrial	49.58
Residential	49.25

Terry Wright, Supervisor  
Monica Ashton, Clerk

### NOTICE BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting March 4, 2003 at 12:00 noon at the Beaver Creek Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the 2003 Assessment Roll. The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers Monday, March 10, 2003 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, March 13, 2003 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling.

The following are tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Beaver Creek Township:

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	TENTATIVE FACTOR
Agricultural	40.32	1.2400
Commercial	39.46	1.2671
Industrial	46.77	1.0691
Residential	45.03	1.1103

Lee Riley  
Supervisor



# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago February 28, 1980

Crawford County's new ambulance arrived Friday and was on display for area residents at an Open House held at the county courthouse. A brief dedication service was held on Saturday.

Over 30 snowmobilers headed out Saturday morning on the 50 mile Easter Seal Pledge Ride from Grayling to Lovells and back, with proceeds going to the Easter Seal Society.

The Sno-Fari was co-sponsored by the Grayling Chamber of Commerce and Arctic Cat.

Eighteen additional housing units for Senior Citizens are anticipated for Grayling, providing final approval comes for the go-ahead by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

February 21 marked the Snow Sculpture contest at the Grayling Elementary School. Miss Vargo's fifth grade class won first place.

Matson's Adult Foster Care Home was the setting last Thursday when members of Brownie Troop No. 2007 visited Mrs. Inez Colleen in observance of World Association Day. Mrs. Colleen has been very active in Girl Scouting over the years and the Brownies honored her by presenting her with a World Association Pin. The Brownies who took part in the visit were Deanna Phelps, Tammy Fenton, Theresa Minnerick, Jenny Gillon and Erin Bindschattel.

The Crawford AuSable School District will be receiving \$129,602 in State Aid and Title I Revenue.

Grayling Elementary School fourth grade student Steve Lehti sold

the winning raffle ticket in the drawing for a patchwork quilt, proceeds for which will be used to purchase library equipment for the school.

Jeanette Wieland was the only medal winner in the Regional Ski Meet action finishing 6th in slalom out of 100 girls.

The Girls Ski Team finished 5th out of the 17 teams entered.

The Middle School exploded last Friday night as a basket by guard Scott Hale with four seconds on the clock enabled the Vikes to hit the century mark for the first time in many a moon as the squad humbled Rogers City 101-54.

Two of eight Grayling wrestlers competing in last Saturday's Regional matches will advance to the State Finals.

Tim Jones joins Burt Partello in quest of a state championship, the latter making a return visit this year.

### 46 Years Ago February 28, 1957

The new B. and C. Supermarket located in the Upstate Shopping Center on US-27 south of the river is planning an open house this Sunday.

The preview will give people a chance to inspect the new supermarket, which features 6,000 square feet and 45 feet of refrigerated service yourself meat cases.

One senior at Grayling High School has been commended by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation for distinguished performance in its nation-wide search for students of unusual ability.

The student honored is Ronald L. Schofield. He has also been named Michigan state runner-up in the 1957 Merit Scholarship competition.

The Frederic Eagles clinched the Snowland Class D Conference championship last Tuesday night when they rolled over Bellaire 62 to 34 for their seventeenth win of the season and their ninth straight loop victory.

The Eagles will be seeking their first perfect season in school's history as they travel to Alba this Tuesday.

The Grayling High Vikings will travel to East Jordan for the finale of the regular season in basketball season.

Last week, the Vikings rolled over Kalkaska in a 56 to 46 win.

To finance its every-growing services in this county, the American Red Cross will launch its annual campaign for funds on March 1. In Crawford County, the goal is \$2,006.00. Mrs. C.G. Clippert Chapter Chairman said of this amount, 63.56 percent stays in the county.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gust are opening a new business, the Automotive Parts and Supply Company, which will operate as a wholesale outlet to local garages and service stations.

Three hundred ninety Crawford County children were inoculated with the Salk vaccine shots for immunity to polio.

### 69 Years Ago March 1, 1934

The principal topic during the month of February was largely the weather. Sub-zero temperatures prevailed during the month that will leave memories that won't be soon forgotten. The coldest day was February 8th when the temperature reached 45 degrees below zero.

For the third consecutive year, the Grayling Lumberjacks won the basketball trophy in the third annual Gold Medal Tournament.

Grayling wound up the regular schedule by plastering a couple of defeats on the floundering West

Branch outfit. The Regulars turned in a 36-13 win and the Reserves copped their game by an 8-5 margin.

Leo Jorgenson, street commissioner, reports scores of families out of water because of frozen pipes under ground. Some lines have been frozen even while faucets have been left running.

Take your yardstick and locate the 30 inch mark. That is how thick the ice is on Lake Margrethe. At School Section Lake it is 24 inches thick. And then measure off 5 1/2 feet and you can see how deep the frost goes down in the ground around Grayling.

At an early hour this morning the farm home of Supervisor and Mrs. Frank Love in Beaver Creek was destroyed by fire.

### 92 Years Ago March 2, 1911

The "Iceman" has his houses all filled with the congealed fluid so he does not worry if the sun does shine.

March struck us as a roaring lion with almost hurricane winds and snow hit the area.

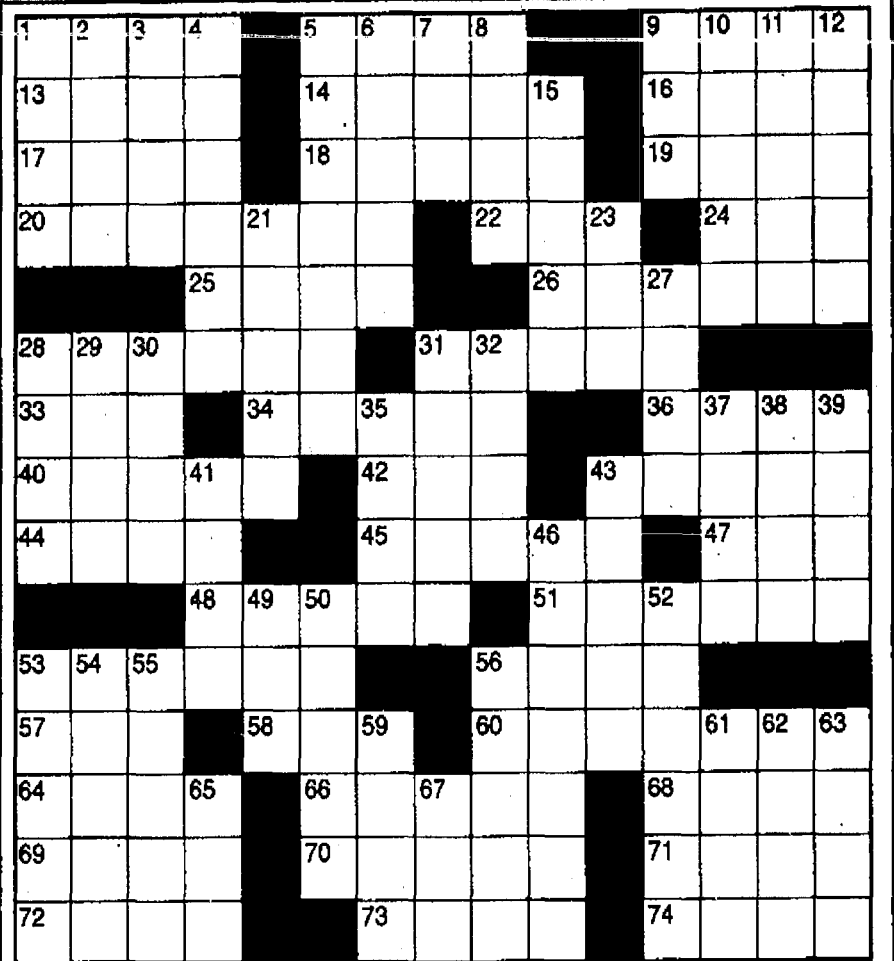
On March 1, 1909, M.A. Bates started the construction of the city telephone, having secured only 68 subscribers. Today he has 192 in use and orders enough to pass the 200 mark.

The band concert under the direction of Mr. Ed G. Clark given at the Opera House last Wednesday evening proved to be one of their most successful attempts at such work.

William Herberling of Beaver Creek has sold his farm to F.F. Hopkins of Hooperston, Illinois, or traded for property in that state, to which he will move.

At the Republican County convention last week, there were but half the delegates present on account of bad weather and roads.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. Letterman's competitor
5. Oppositionist
9. Unhearing
13. Equal
14. "I got the horse right here" types
16. Bear, to Brutus
17. Ladylike gatherings
18. Charge in a suit against a tabloid
19. Remove from office
20. Claims
22. Raincoat, for short
24. Socks, to Chelsea
25. Garçon's aid
26. A penny
28. Spring flowers
31. Pyromania
33. Rep.'s opponent
34. Musician's practice piece
36. Contended
40. Steak sandwich topper
42. Fingers count
43. Recurrent interval
44. Part of SLR
45. Sacrificial site
47. Freud's article
48. Slim and agile
51. Lavin and Blair
53. Mantilla wearer

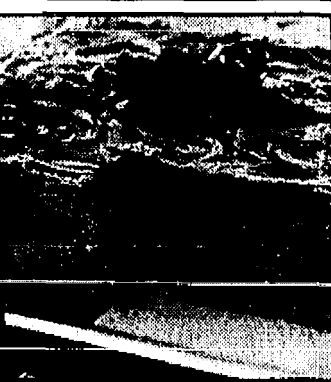
56. Street performer
57. One of Frank's exes
58. Tool set
60. Eternal
64. Perfume
66. Rabbit fur
68. Red gin
69. Sabe
70. Milquetoast's lack
71. The Grapes of Wrath locale: abbr.
72. Actor Stoltz
73. Zipped
74. Not once, poetically

### DOWN

1. "Woman in Your Life" (2 wds.)
2. Stuntman Knievel
3. Newman's Hud foil
4. Beginnings
5. Minimally
6. Like a schoolyard at recess
7. Craft for a storybook trio
8. Filler
9. Twosome
10. Blow, à la Etna
11. Ledger entry
12. Like some meat
15. Places haphazardly
21. Soul singer Al
23. Magnon
27. A deadly sin
28. Matinee
29. M. Magritte
30. Poker player's declaration
31. Fred's Lady Be Good costar
32. \$200, on Boardwalk
35. Idaho's neighbor
37. Bumped-off, street-style
38. East of Eden director
39. TV rooms
41. Christiania, today
43. Gum chewing, in Singapore
46. Trued up
49. Vex
50. Waggies
52. Victor at Trafalgar
53. Gets in Your Eyes
54. Downy duck
55. Model Campbell
56. Augusta's locale
59. Emulates Bill Robinson
61. Actress Sommer
62. Only
63. Cook quickly
65. Legendary avian
67. Great Expectations hero

### ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



## Milk Chocolate Cake

- 1-3/4 cups granulated sugar
  - 1-1/2 cups (3 sticks) butter, softened, divided
  - 3 large eggs, divided
  - 4 squares (1 oz. each) milk chocolate, melted
  - 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
  - 1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
  - 1 teaspoon baking soda
  - 1/4 teaspoon salt
  - 1 cup buttermilk
  - 1 package (16 oz.) confectioners' sugar
  - 4 milk chocolate bars (1.55 oz. each), melted
  - 3 tablespoons whipping cream
1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Grease and flour two 9x9-inch baking pans.
  2. Combine granulated sugar and 1 cup butter in a large bowl. Beat with an electric mixer until creamy.

3. Separate egg yolks and whites. Add egg yolks to sugar mixture and mix well. Stir in melted chocolate and 1 teaspoon of vanilla.
4. Sift together flour, baking soda and salt. Add flour mixture and buttermilk alternately to the egg yolk mixture, beating until smooth.
5. Beat egg whites in a small bowl until stiff peaks form. Fold into the batter. Spoon into prepared baking pans. Bake until a toothpick inserted in centers of cakes comes out clean, about 25 to 30 minutes. Transfer layers to wire racks to cool.
6. Beat confectioners' sugar and remaining butter in medium bowl for 3 minutes. Stir in chocolate bars, whipping cream and remaining vanilla. Spread frosting between layers and over top and sides of cake.

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### DID YOU KNOW

As a flounder grows, the eye on its lower side moves gradually around to the upper side of its head.

## HOROSCOPES

For the Week of February 27, 2003



December 22-January 19

Sticking to your budget has finally paid off. All of your bills are taken care of, and you have money left over. Don't spend it all in one place.



March 21-April 19

Someone close to you is facing a health crisis. Be supportive and do what you can to ease their fears. Invite some friends over and have a little party to help cheer them up.



June 22-July 22

You have been invited to yet another party! Your calendar is full, so turn it down politely—you don't want to step on toes—and return the invite as soon as possible.



September 23-October 22

A spat has occurred between two of your friends. Don't get involved. You have more important things to do than play the role of mediator.



January 20-February 18

Surprise! An old friend returns. Get reacquainted with a night on the town. A family member asks for a favor. Don't say yes unless you're certain you can follow through.



April 20-May 20

Your boss has an important matter to discuss with you. Listen carefully and offer input only when asked. An older relative needs some advice.



July 23-August 22

A little piece of your history turns up where you least expect it. Have some fun with it. Don't forget about a promise you made to a friend.



October 23-November 21

Your coworkers have made some unflattering remarks about an organization you would like to join. Don't listen. They don't have all of the facts.



January 19-February 20

Exciting news is headed your way—are you ready? An old family friend makes a proposal. Talk it over with your family first before accepting it.



May 21-June 21

You don't realize it, but you have made a significant contribution to a young friend's life just by being there. Think of what you could do if you made more time for them.



August 23-September 22

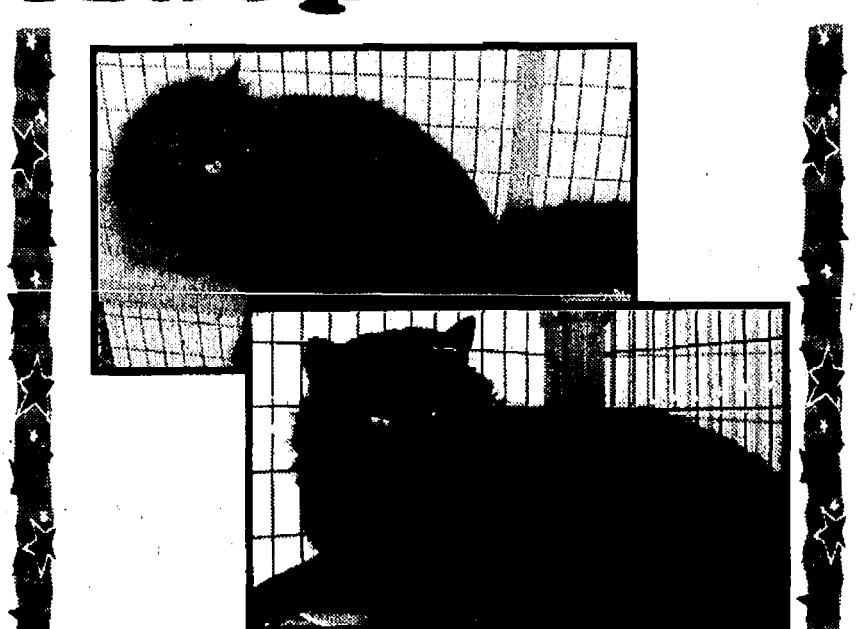
You've modified your diet and you are feeling better. Now take it one step further and consult your doctor for an exercise routine.



November 22-December 21

A family member snaps at you. Don't take it personally. They have a lot on their mind and didn't mean to take it out on you. Be supportive.

## Adopt a Pet



These handsome guys are brothers, they are neutered and have their shots. They are 9 months to 1 year old and are very friendly and loving. Please call (989) 348-4117 for more information on opening your home to a homeless animal. Or, e-mail: animal\_director@yahoo.com.

Winter is especially hard on the water buckets used to haul water to the dogs at the shelter. We could use some donations of 2 1/2, 3, and 5 gallon buckets. We are also in need of blankets, throw rugs, towels, bleach, laundry soap and dishwashing liquid. Any help the community can provide is most appreciated, especially by the animals.

There are still a few Dog-Opoly, Cat-Opoly, Wild Animal-Opoly and Ocean-Opoly games available! Cost is a donation \$25 each and all proceeds go to help the animals in our care. Creature Comforts Cookbooks are still available for a donation of \$15. Call the shelter for details or stop in the Avalanche for either item.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at: 508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 1 pm; Sun. and Holidays 8 am - 11 am After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast			
Date	H	L	Snow	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2/19	34	20		High 23	High 27	High 30	High 30
2/20	28	6		Low 4	Low 6	Low 9	Low 8
2/21	46	21		Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Few Snow Showers	Few Snow Showers
2/22	48	19					
2/23	22	0					
2/24	15	1	.25				
2/25	13	-13					



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## Crawford County Avalanche

### 1. Real Estate

**NINE APARTMENTS** and Living Quarters and four nice motel units with Jacuzzis. \$40,000 down. Land Contract terms. (989) 348-8959 (7/11/02tf/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**MOBILE HOME FOR SALE** by owner. Two bedroom, bath and a half off Manistee River Rd., little over 1/2 an acre. Call (989) 348-5741. (-13-20-27-6/1)

### 1. Real Estate

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**MOBILE HOME PARK & Camp Ground** Land Contract terms. (989) 348-8959 (7/11/02tf/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**BECOME A HOMEOWNER** Northern Homes CDC is offering free homebuyer Counseling classes for the MSHDA sponsored program. Links to Homeownership, families with a related minor child living in the home, or a pregnant applicant/co-applicant who meet financial program guidelines are eligible. These classes can assist you with potential down payment assistance, credit repair, pre-purchase inspections and maintenance training. Classes are now forming. Call Alice Yeoman at 866-637-1834 Toll Free. Northern Homes CDC is a private non-profit organization whose mission is to create affordable housing opportunities in Northern Michigan. Equal Housing Opportunity. (LR4/3/02/1)

**STOP RENTING** for as low as \$500 - \$1,000 down and a small monthly payment. You can own your own home and have it paid for in two years. Timberly Village Mobile Home Park. (1/23/03tf/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**SPRING DREAMS** Own a Brand New three bedroom, two bath home for less than you are paying for rent. You pick the floor plan, you pick the colors, you pick the payment. May qualify for Crawford County Housing Assistance programs. Contact North Crest Homes today for details. (989) 732-1555 (-27-6-13/1)

**LOW LOW MORTGAGE RATES** Loan Closing three weeks or less. Northland Area Credit Union. 1-800-336-2328 (8/8/02tf/1)

**NEWLY BUILT** 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath. Two car attached garage. Five miles east of Grayling. \$92,000 (989) 348-4840 (LR3/27/03/1)

### 2. For Rent

**MOBILE HOME FOR RENT** No pets. Old 27 north, Timberly Village Mobile Home Park. (8/22/02tf/2)

**EFFICIENCY CABIN** \$295 month, \$295 security, \$50 cleaning fee. Utilities not included. (989) 348-5124 (-27-6/2)

### 2. For Rent

**THREE BEDROOM, TWO BATH HOME** at Lake Margrethe. Available March 1. \$600 per month plus deposit and references. One year lease. No smoking and no pets. (989) 348-8627 (2/13/03tf/2)

**BUSINESS OR OFFICE SPACE** for rent. 640 square feet. Excellent traffic location on Federal Highway. One and 1/4 mile west of I-75 Exit 244. (989) 821-5995. (LR3/27/03/2)

**TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT** in town. \$425 per month. Call (989) 348-2473. (-27/2)

**OFFICE/RETAIL SPACE** for rental, 1,200 sq. ft, immediate opening in neon plaza, Kalkaska. Call Sandy (231) 258-8377 between 9:00 to 3:00. (10/24/02tf/2)

**BEDROOM FOR RENT** Only one mile from uptown Grayling and surrounded by woods and wildlife, enjoy a peaceful setting in this spacious home. \$325 per month. All utilities are free, including cable TV, phone, kitchen, laundry and more. (989) 348-2083. (2/20/03tf/2)

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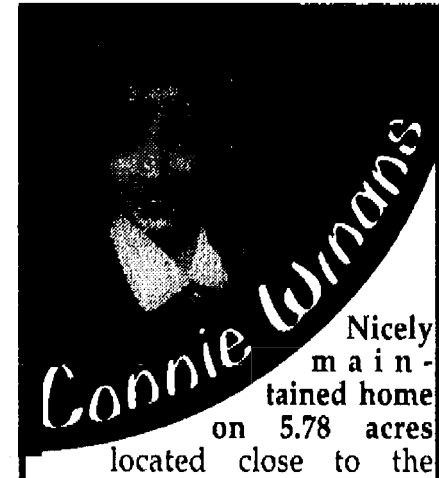
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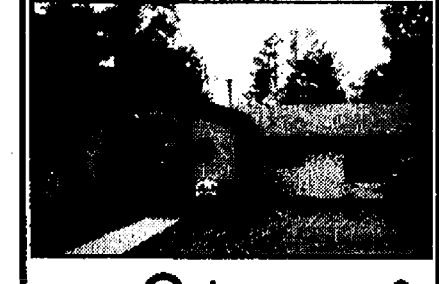
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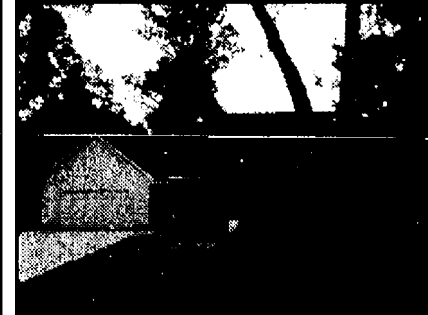
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**NEW CUSTOM BUILT HOME, 1 YEAR BUILDER'S WARRANTY!** Gorgeous new home in newly developed subdivision. 2,280 s.f., 3 B/R, 2 1/2 baths, open staircase to loft, 17' ceiling in large living room, ceramic tile in bath, utility, and entry, maple cabinets, oak & maple flooring in dining and kitchen, knock-down drywall, Andersen Windows, 24x30 finished garage, colored brick look drive, and colored patio. Possible custom colors at buyer's choice. CH-1659 \$199,000



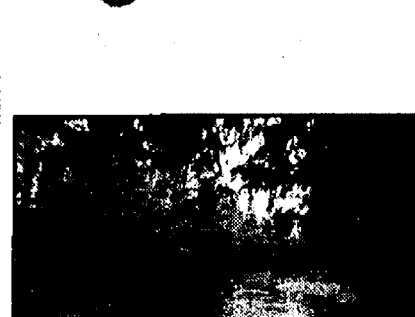
**PRIVATE SETTING ONLY 1/2 MILE FROM CITY LIMITS!** Beautiful 2,128 s.f. family home in private setting only 1/2 mile from city limits with 3.75 acres. Family room with fireplace, doorwall onto 13x17 rear patio. 3 B/R, 2 1/2 baths, open staircase, second level balcony, formal dining room, large eat-in kitchen, and den. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, and microwave. Private drive, mature Red & White Pines and Oak trees. Underground electric fence, gas log fireplace insert. Recent Mortgage Survey and Appraisal in file. CH-1618 \$143,000



**QUALITY RUSTIC "UP NORTH" CUSTOM BUILT CEDAR LOG HOME/LODGE.** 2.5 acres adjoining state land. Located 1 1/2 miles from Grayling in a very private setting on dead end road. 2,250 s.f., 3 B/R, 2 bath, full cedar log home with 100% T&G cedar interior. Vaulted ceilings, Andersen Windows & bow window, 10 inch pine flooring in kitchen/dining, custom doors, built-ins (Builder's Home). Natural fieldstone fireplace in family room, gas fireplace in living room. Much, Much More. CH-1690 \$315,000



**Above the Crowd!**



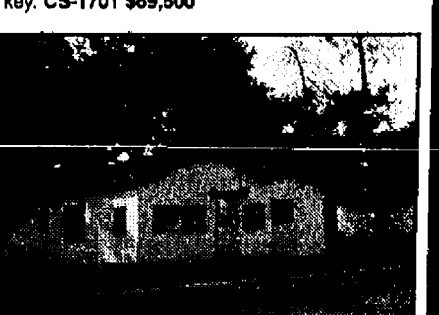
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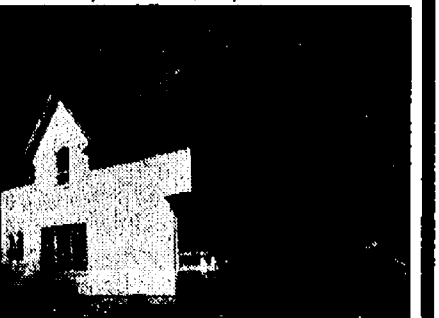
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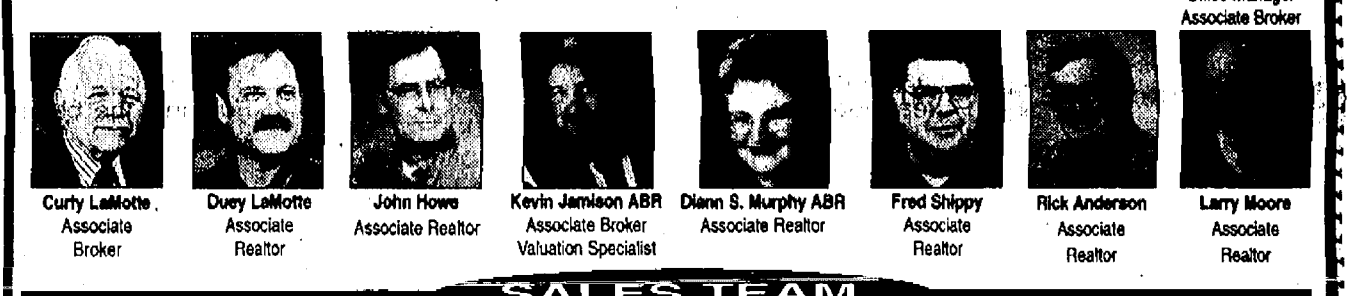
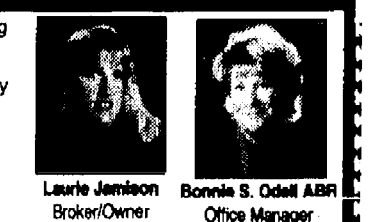
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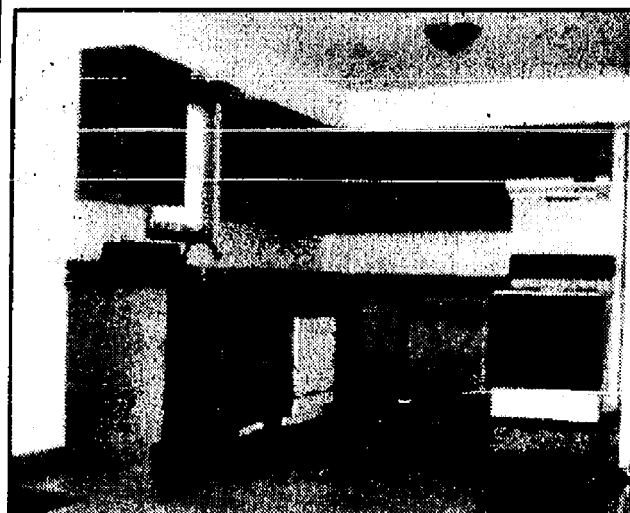
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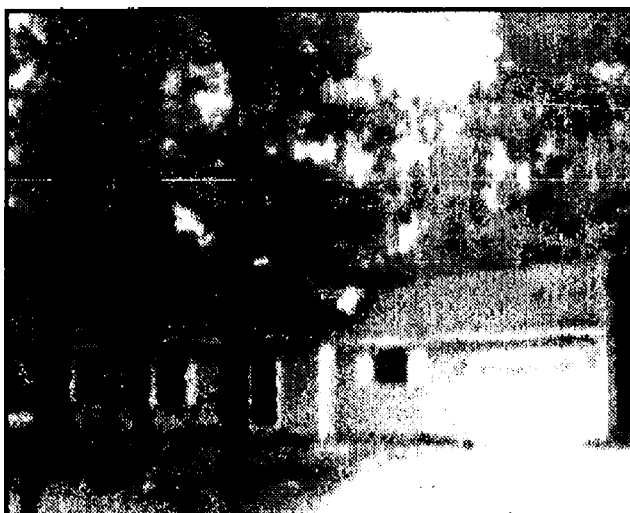
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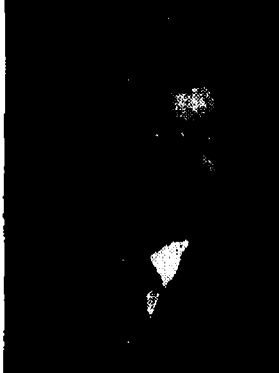
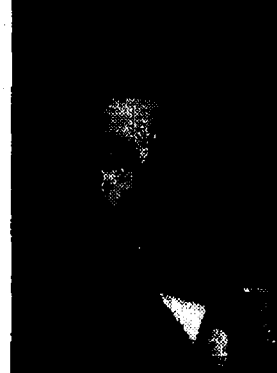
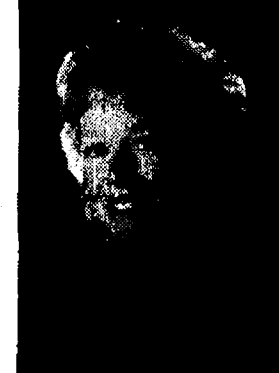





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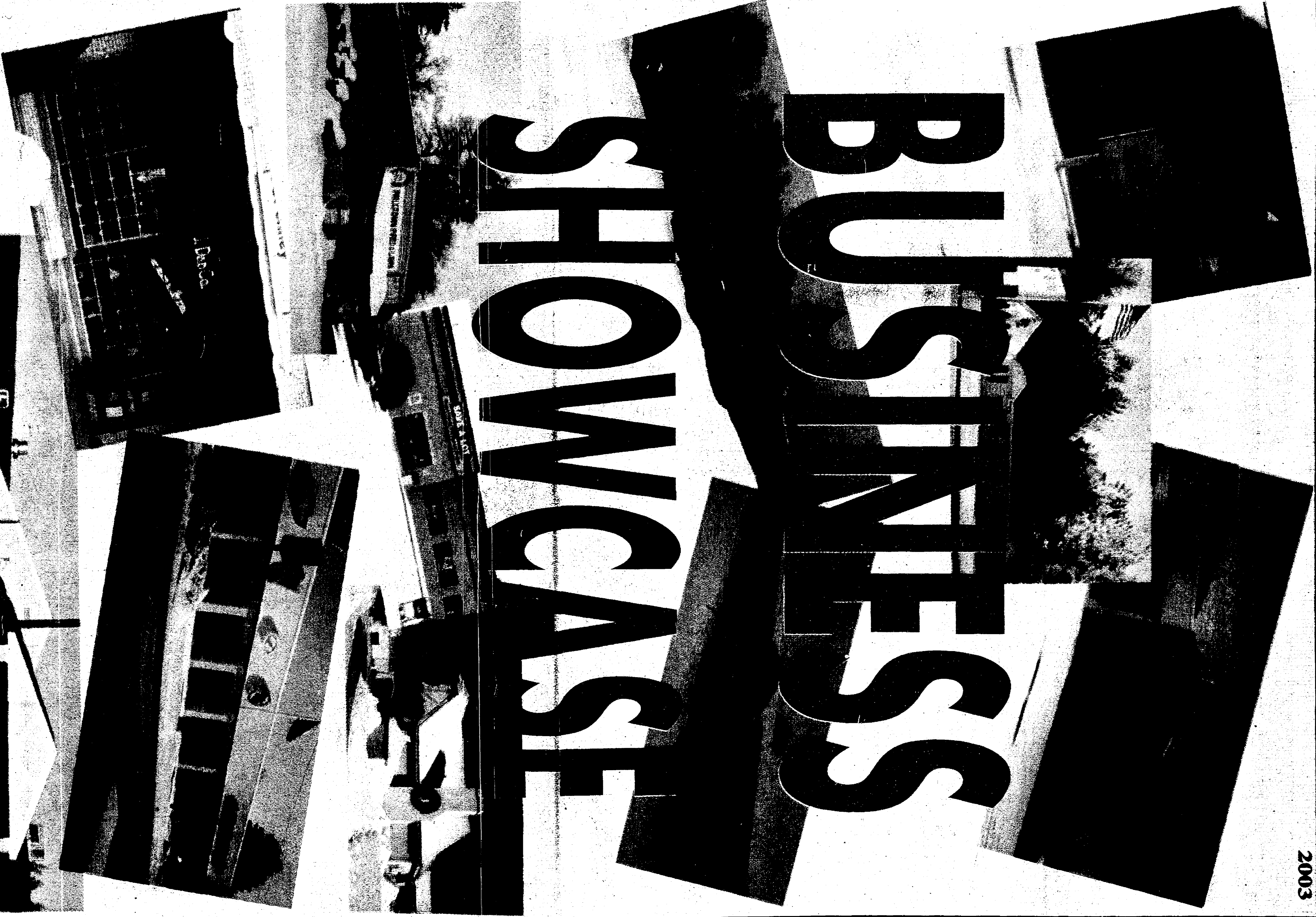
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## AUSABLE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC.



L-R: Larry Ostrowski, Owner; Jacki Barnes, Office Manager;  
Bill Weaver, Owner; Billy Weaver, Superintendent.

For over 27 years, AuSable Construction has offered northern Michigan quality built projects. Being a locally owned and community oriented business has allowed our company to continue providing our customers excellence in service and craftsmanship. From the Mount Hope Lutheran Church

in the 70's, to the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library in the new millennium, and our thousands of commercial and residential projects in between, our experience speaks for itself. Contact us today for an estimate on your next project. No residential or commercial project too small!

<b>Owners:</b>	Bill Weaver, President and Larry Ostrowski, Vice President
<b>Founded:</b>	Incorporated in 1976
<b>Type of Business:</b>	General Contractor including commercial & residential building, additions, remodeling, roofing, siding, insulation, windows, garages and decks.
<b>Brands of Products:</b>	Andersen windows, Thermo-Tru doors, Norandex premium vinyl siding, etc. We can suggest and provide you with many quality products to compliment your building project.
<b>Specialties/Services:</b>	Design Build. Licensed and Insured.
<b>Professional Associations:</b>	Member of Associated Builders & Contractors, Member of North Central Michigan Home Builders Association, Member of National Association of Home Builders, Member of Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, Member of U.S. Chamber of Commerce.
<b>Community Activities:</b>	Bill Weaver is a 4-H Archery - Level 2 Instructor, Vice President of the AuSable Valley Snowmobile Association, and Vice President of Bears Bowman. Larry Ostrowski is past President of the Grayling Garden Club and a member of the Harbor Beach Association.
<b>Slogan:</b>	Our Business is Building

**AuSable**  
CONSTRUCTION

2342 Industrial Street  
P.O. Box 594, Grayling, MI 49738  
Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
(989) 348-5477  
[www.ausableconstruction.com](http://www.ausableconstruction.com)

## SAVE-A-LOT



**COMPANY NAME:** Freeman Brothers, Save-A-Lot Food Stores  
**HOURS:** 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Saturday,  
10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday

**OWNERS:** Tim, Tom, and Paul Freeman

**FOUNDED:** October 1999

**TYPE OF BUSINESS:** Retail Grocery, providing the highest quality products at a savings of up to 40% over conventional grocery store prices. Our limited assortment and quantity purchasing allows us to offer the lowest prices on groceries, fresh meat, fresh produce, frozen foods, and dairy products.

**BRANDS OF PRODUCTS:** A whole host of Private Label items with equivalent or better quality and prices and a variety of National Brand Produce, Fresh Meat, Grocery and Milk products such as Del Monte, IBP, Little Debbie, Sara Lee, and Melody Farms. Save-A-Lot's partnership with these companies provides excellent products at significantly lower prices than a conventional grocery store.

**SPECIALTIES:** Every day prices on every day items in all departments, plus Temporary and Terrific (TNT's) featuring extraordinary values on national brand products that change every week!

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:** Chamber of Commerce

**MOTTO:** Save-A-Lot, Great Food, Great Prices!

**ABOUT US:** Tim, Tom and Paul have been involved in the grocery business since childhood. Their dad, Denny Freeman, managed the Glen's Market from 1970 to 1978 before transferring to the General Offices in Gaylord. Tim, Tom and Paul, joined their dad after graduating from college, until Spartan Stores purchased Glen's Markets in 1999. In June of 1999, Tim, Tom and Paul started Freeman Family Enterprises, which included Save-A-Lot stores in Alpena, East Tawas and Cadillac. Today, they own and operate seven Save-A-Lot stores throughout Northern Michigan including the one here in Grayling, which opened in December of 2002.



L-R: Sharon Felling, Asst. Store Manager &  
Chris Harland, Store Manager

**SAVE-A-LOT**  
Great Food & Great Prices!

2333 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Grayling, MI 49738



## Bell Hearing Center

**Owner:** Edna Bell and Sheila Bell

**Hours:** Tues., Wed., & Thurs. 9 to 5; Winter Hours until April 1st 9 to 4

**Founded:** October 1996

**Type of Business:** Hearing Aid Sales and Service, Hearing Aid Specialist/Dealer

**Brands of Products:** We work with many companies.

**Specialties/Services:** Hearing Screenings and tests, hearing aid repairs, consultations, fitting of new aids.

**Professional Associations:** IHHIS - International Institute for Hearing Instruments Studies, IHAS - International Hearing Aid Society and we work with most insurance companies including Medicaid.

**Community Activities:** We visit 9 different Senior Centers throughout the year, health fairs and AFC Homes.



L-R: Sheila Bell and Edna Bell

**Motto:** Hear for you & Hearing Help is Here.

**About Us:** State certified and licensed with 22 years experience. Very friendly service by professionals who really care about your hearing health.



### BELL HEARING CENTER

2874 M-72 S.E., P.O. Box 532 • Kalkaska, MI 49646  
231-258-6577 • 888-556-0025

## Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers



**Operator:**

Bob Wright

**Founded:**

Originally Founded by R. David Thomas in 1969, Columbus, Ohio. Became a part of Grayling in 1979.

**Type of Business:**

Fast Food Restaurant

**Brands of Products:**

Hamburgers, Fries, Chili, Hot Stuffed Baked Potatoes, Garden Sensation Salads, Frosty's

**Specialties:**

We feature the original 99¢ Super Value Menu since 1989.

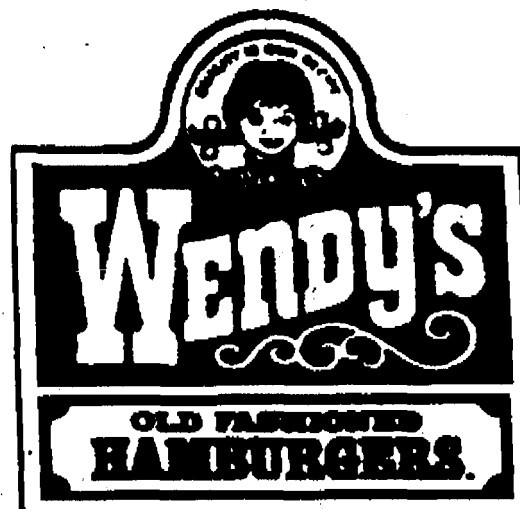
**Professional Associations:**

Sponsor for Wendy's High School Heisman Award.

**Community Activities:**

Collection point for Cell Phones for Seniors. Sponsor many local charities when asked.

**STOP IN FOR GREAT FOOD AND FRIENDLY SERVICE AT OUR NEWLY REMODELED GRAYLING LOCATION**



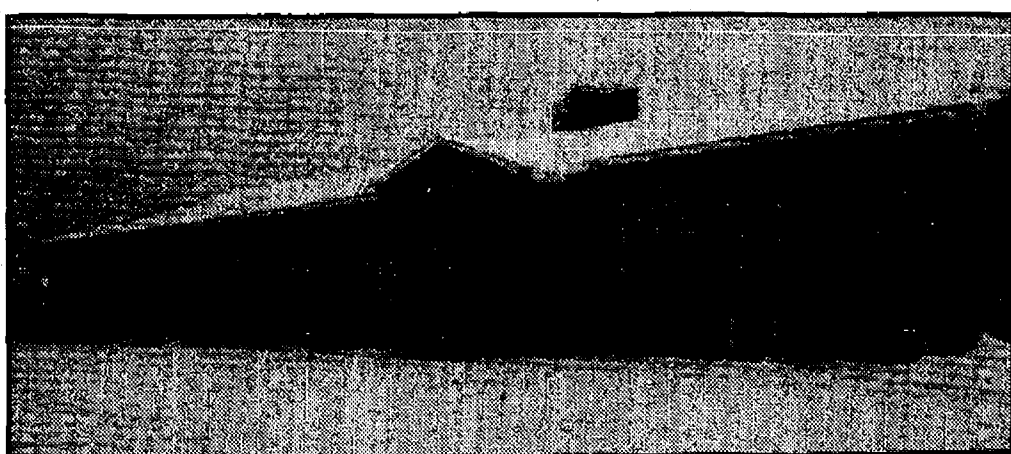
**Wendy's of Grayling**

2141 S. I-75 Business Loop

Grayling

10 to Midnight Daily

## GRAYLING CAR CARE, INC.



**Owners:** Mark and DeAnne Swiercz

**Founded:** Locally owned and operated since 1985

**Brands of Products:** Quaker State, Maxi Muffler, Interstate Batteries, All Major Brands of Oil at No Additional Charge!

**Specialties/Services:** Quick Lube Oil Change, Mufflers, Exhaust, Brakes, Tires, Transmission Flushes, Shocks/Struts, Batteries, Windshield Wipers, Radiator Drain and Fill, Alignments, Bulbs, Belts, Hoses, Starters, Alternator, Ball Joints, Tie Rods, Axle Joints and Shafts.

**Type of Business:** Fast, Friendly, and Efficient Automotive Service Facility.

**Community Activities:** This year we are excited to support a Little League Team!

**Motto/Slogan:** Come and see us for all your "Car Care" needs!



Our Team Includes: Al Wakeley, Joe Petty, Geri Johnson & Randy Bolden

**GRAYLING CAR CARE PRIDES ITSELF ON OUR EXPERIENCED, TEAM-ORIENTED EMPLOYEES. THEY ARE THE KEY TO OUR SUCCESS. WE CARRY THE LATEST EQUIPMENT AND PRODUCTS TO ENSURE YOUR VEHICLE RECEIVES THE BEST SERVICE POSSIBLE!**

## GRAYLING CAR CARE

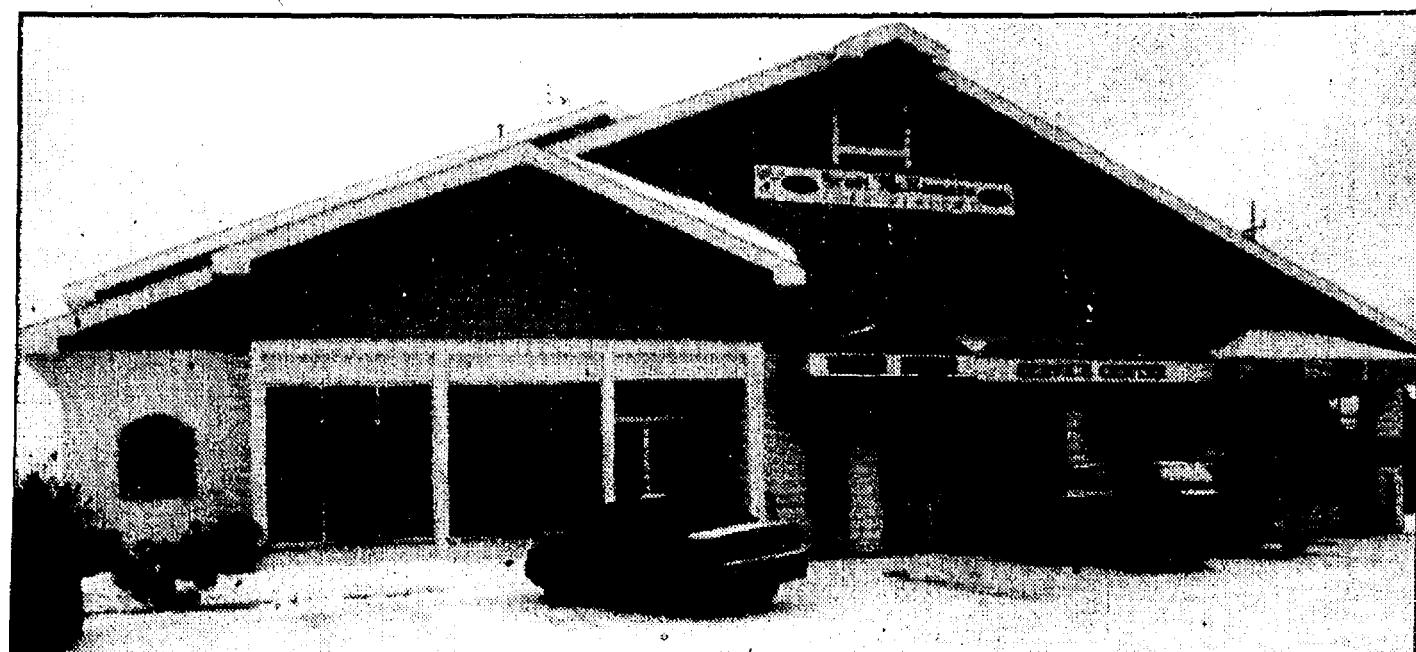
4430 M-72 HWY EAST • 989-348-3200  
(ACROSS FROM INDUSTRIAL DRIVE)

**HOURS:**

MON-FRI 8:30 - 5 SAT 8:30 - 12 NOON



# Scott McNamara Ford Lincoln Mercury



Scott McNamara, Grayling

**Owner:** Scott McNamara

**Founded:** Roscommon 1992 & Grayling 2002.

**Type of Business:** Ford - Lincoln - Mercury Dealership

**Brands of Products:** New Ford - Lincoln - Mercury Parts

& Service, Pennzoil 10 Minute Oil Change

**Specialties/Services:** Won Ford Motor Company's highest honor - the President's Award 3 years in a row!

**Community Activities:**

Annual Fundraiser for Riverhouse Shelter, raised \$2700 for them in 2002.

**Motto/Slogan:** "Fastest Growing Dealership in the North!"



Scott McNamara, Roscommon

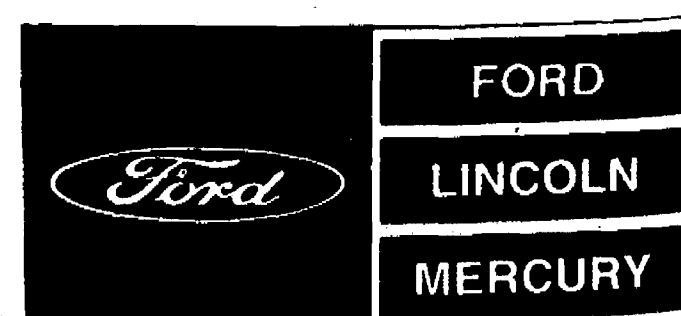


Scott McNamara

**"We're a family of lifetime employees serving a family of lifetime customers."**

Scott started out at age 15 working as a porter/car washer at a dealership in metro Detroit. After working his way up the ladder to general sales manager at age 24, he got a chance to realize his lifelong dream to own his own dealership in Roscommon in 1992. He since has purchased the Gladwin Dealership in 2000 and the Grayling Store in December, 2002. Scott has a strong commitment to customer satisfaction and has been awarded the President's Award - Ford Motor Company's highest honor for 2000, 2001, and 2002.

## Scott McNamara Ford-Lincoln-Mercury, Inc.



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(989) 426-9218

M-18 I-75 Business Loop, Roscommon

(989) 275-8922

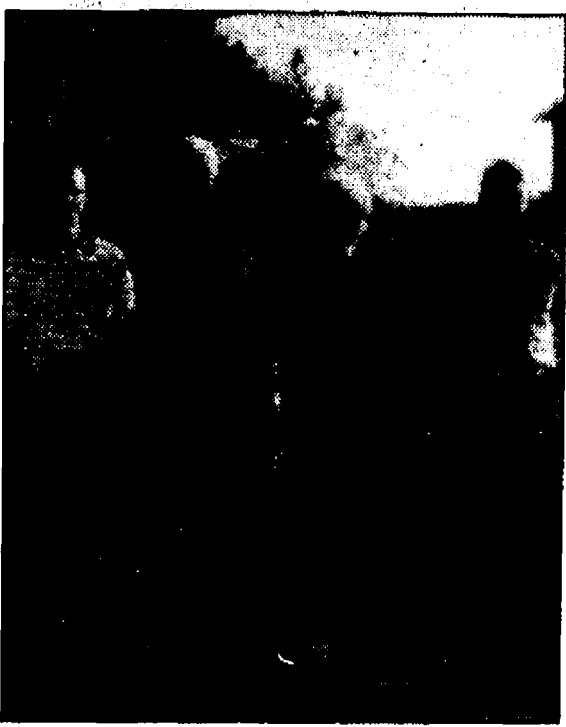


## HOLTON'S LP GAS COMPANY



**Hours:** 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
**Manager:** Lee Prince Jr.  
**Founded:** 1948  
**Principal Activity:** Residential heating and appliance sales.  
**Brands of Products:** Empire, Mr. Heater, Broil Master, Broil King, Nuway Stoves, Bradford White Water Heaters.  
**Specialties/Services:** RV/propane cylinder fill. Home delivery.

**About Us:** As of August 5th, we are now located at 1396 Milbocker Road. Come by and see us at our new location.



(l-r): Lee Prince Jr., Hans Meyer, Linda Meyer, Greg Starr, Pat Nowak (not pictured).

**HOLTON'S**  
**LP GAS**

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 1396 Milbocker Rd., Gaylord, MI 49735

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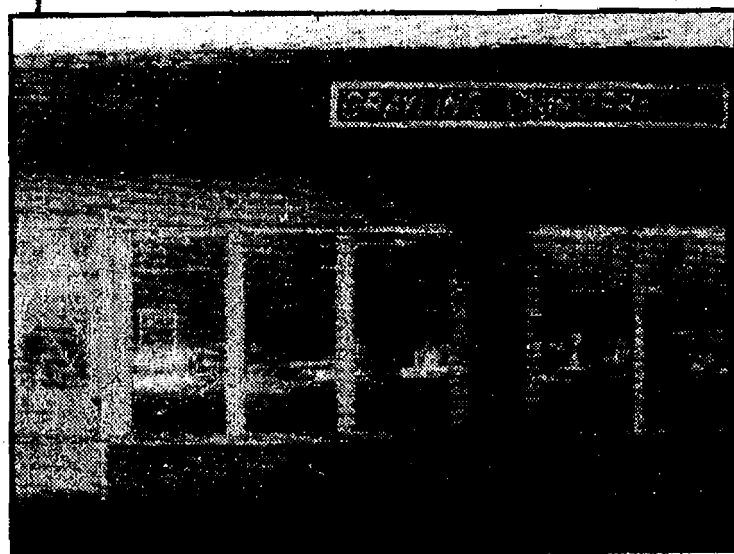
**24-HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE**

## Grayling Chiropractic Clinic

**OWNER:** ORLAND W. DAMI  
**FOUNDED:** 1985  
**TYPE OF BUSINESS:** HEALTH CARE PROVIDER  
**SPECIALTIES/SERVICES:** SPINAL TREATMENT CENTER, THERAPEUTIC NUTRITION AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE. COMFORTABLE PRE-TREATMENT THERAPY



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 STATE OF THE ART  
 EQUIPMENT  
**SLOGAN:** WE TAKE THE  
 TIME TO GIVE YOU A  
 SECOND CHANCE, NOT  
 JUST A SECOND OPINION!



DR. DAMI HAS BEEN BRINGING RELIEF AND QUALITY CARE TO THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES SINCE OPENING HIS CLINIC 18 YEARS AGO IN GRAYLING. EMPHASIS ON CHRONIC AND DIFFICULT CASES. ALL MAJOR INSURANCES ARE ACCEPTED AND ALSO A PPO PROVIDER.

**Hours:**

Mon. - Wed. - Fri. 8:30 to 5:30

Tues. and Thurs. 8:30 to 1:00 - Sat. by Appointment

**GRAYLING CHIROPRACTIC**

Spinal Treatment Center & Therapeutic Nutrition

ORLAND W. DAMI, D.C.

**(989) 348-3128**

**208 E. Huron (E. M-72)**



## Hanson Hills Recreation Area

Hanson Hills Winter Sports Park is a mecca of winter fun offering 11 slopes for downhill skiing, 35 km of cross country terrain, ice skating, snowshoeing, tubing, horse drawn sleigh rides, lessons, rentals, and a snack bar. Two lodges provide shelter for weary winter activists and in the Main Lodge, our snack bar produces very tasty treats. Hanson Hills has a rich history of activity and controversy. Opened in 1929, it was the first downhill ski area in Michigan and the second to open in the Midwest. The "Snowtrains" brought many people to Grayling where they would board flat bed trucks for the ride to what was then called the "Grayling Winter Sports Park." The Michigan Snow Queens were crowned and honored at the annual Winter Carnival, famous for the elaborate ice sculptures built by local people. The old toboggan run was an attraction that thrilled many. Another exciting attraction was the 66 ft. ski jump that was built in 1934.



Hanson Hills was willed to the State of Michigan by Rasmus Hanson for military or recreational use and is still controlled by the State of Michigan's Military Board. It was during the time when the area was called "Bear Mountain" that great growth was seen and the ski resort had 22 slopes for downhill skiing, the "Polehedron" hotel, the "Little Smokey Railroad," and the "Fred Bear Museum" were all a big part of the excitement at what we now know as "Hanson Hills Recreation Area and Winter Sports Park." When the heirs to the Hanson Estate found private individuals making money on the property they attempted to take the land back. Their reason for the action was that the lease stipulated that the land was to be used only on a non-profit basis. The Bear Mountain Area was ordered "boarded up" in 1973 by Judge Roth. The hotel and lifts were disassembled and sold, the Fred Bear Museum, Little Smokey Railroad, the Pine Knoll Campground, the House of Flavors Ice Cream Store and Dillons' horseback riding stables all closed also.

Volunteers came forward that winter to try to keep a few hills open for children to downhill ski. It was soon after this that Grayling Recreation Authority was established as a result of a lot of volunteer work. With the cooperation of the Michigan National Guard and the State Military Board, a special law was made to allot the

"Authority" to work on a non-profit basis. The Grayling Recreational Authority (GRA) is a government "consortium," made up of representatives from Grayling Township, Crawford County, the Crawford AuSable Schools and three members at large.

In the beginning, the main goal of GRA was to maintain and run the ski operation. Now GRA has added to its priorities year round sports programs for youth and adults, and the operation of the Grayling Fish Hatchery. Year round, quality recreational activities are supported by 1/2 mil of taxes and user fees. GRA keeps prices at a minimum so as to be accessible for as many participants as possible.

Special events for year round fun include the annual Spookfest Halloween party and haunted house, the ski swap, soup dinner and open house, Family Fun Night, The Michigan Cup Marathon and Hanson Hills Classic Cross Country Ski Racers, The Winter Wolf Festival, The Fat Tire Festival and the Hanson Hills Challenge Trail Run.

Hanson Hills offers families a wonderful recreation opportunity at an affordable price. Experience "A Family Value" this winter and visit Hanson Hills Winter Sports Park! An investment you'll enjoy.

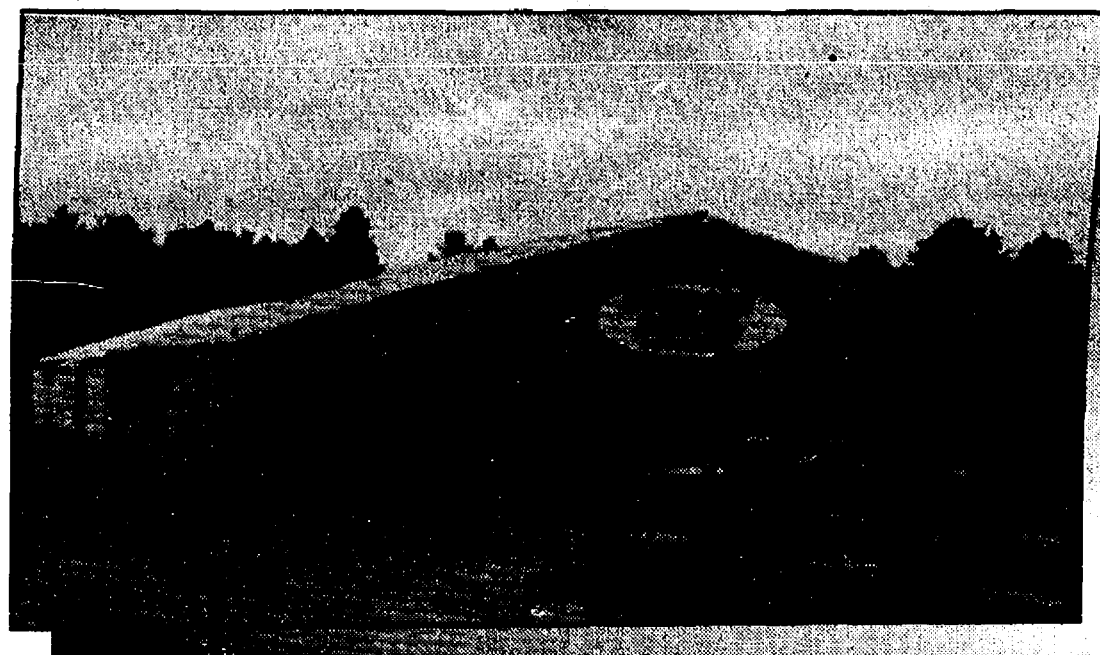
**Grayling Recreation Authority**  
**(989) 348-9266**

**hanhills@mich.com**

**HANSON HILLS**



## Comfort Center No 2 Inc.



**Owner:** Luke & Pauline & Luke II & Tammy Petrosky  
**Founded:** April 1975  
**Type of Business:** Retail Furniture & Bedding  
**Brands of Products:** Serta, Flexsteel, Lane, Best Chair Co., Marshfield, McKinley Leather  
**Specialties/Services:** Free Delivery & Set Up  
**Community Activities:** Rotary Club, K of C, ABWA, Eagles, Chamber of Commerce  
**Slogan:** We furnish the **comfort** and the **rest** is up to you!

**"Service after the Sale!" We have 48 years in the furniture business, 28 years in Grayling. We raised our family locally and our son Luke II and wife Tammy are second generation owners!**

**1-800-968-8765**

**989-348-2961**

**Grayling**

**West M-72, 1 Mile**



**Hours:**

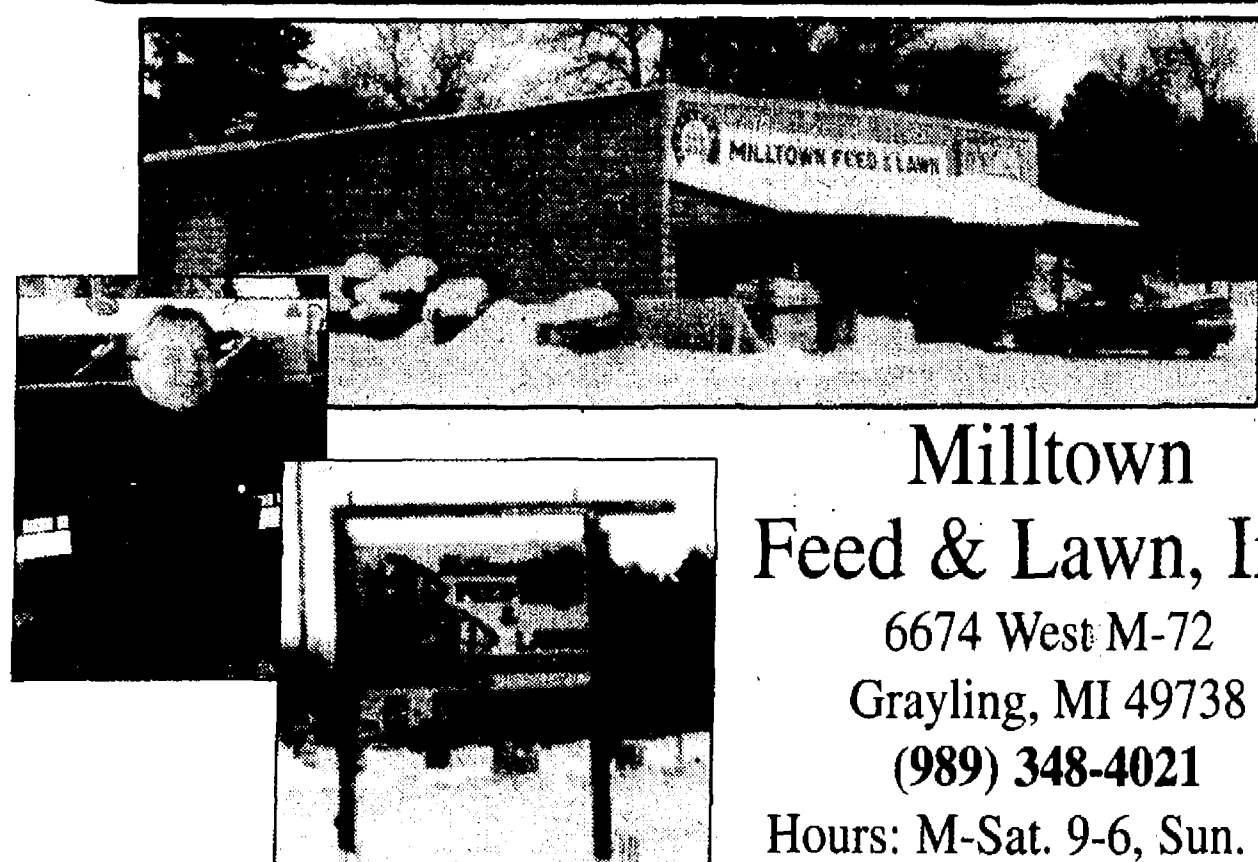
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sun 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.



## MILLTOWN FEED & LAWN, INC.



**Milltown  
Feed & Lawn, Inc.**  
6674 West M-72  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(989) 348-4021  
Hours: M-Sat. 9-6, Sun. 9-3

**Owner:** Bill McQueen

**Founded:** 1987

**Type of Business:** Lawn and Garden. Pet Shop with Fish, Birds, Reptiles, and Small Animals. Garden Area with Greenhouse Flowers, Vegetables, Trees, Shrubs, Landscaping supplies. We also deliver.

**Brands of Products:** Top quality, clean and well organized with live animals & reptiles, birds and over 50 filled fish tanks to choose from.

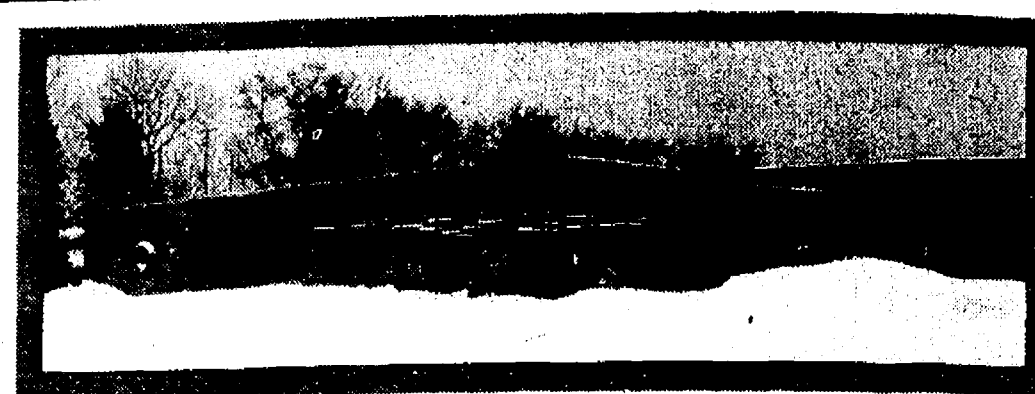
**Services:** We deliver top soil, mulch, other garden needs and will assist in answering any problems with your pets. We also maintain fish tanks in office areas and now have existing 2 - 55 gallon fish tanks in Mercy Hospital.

**Community Activities:** D.A.R.E. Programs - School Functions - Chamber of Commerce Member.

**Quote:** "We are an information store that also believes in great service and products to the customer."

**About us:** My name is Bill McQueen and I have been the owner for almost 5 years now. With the support of the community I have been able to follow my business plan as scheduled. I am a single parent of two children, which I have been raising myself for six years. I employ 3-5 people and manage to keep a good team together to offer a good quality service which I feel has kept the store in business for so long. With quality products and service existing we hope to stay around for a long time. Thank you all for your support in keeping the doors open.

## CHEMICAL BANK



**Founded:** September 1979

**Principal Activity:** Bank

**Products:** Checking, savings, loans, investments, and trust services.

**Specialties:** ChemFree checking, free financial consultation with an investment specialist, competitive loan rates, merchant services, and professional service.

**Professional Associations:** Chamber of Commerce, Junior Achievement, Tri-Lakes Home Builders, and Habitat for Humanity.

**Community Activities:** GPA, Kiwanis, and Rotary.

**Slogan:** Where to Bank Across Michigan.

**About us:** Our 128 offices cover 32 counties across Michigan with ATM machines at most locations. This feature allows customers convenient service during travel while retaining a hometown community atmosphere. Stop in to see our variety of products designed to fit your needs.



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Hours: Lobby 9-4:30 M-Th.,  
9-6 Fri.

Drive Thru 8:30-5:30 M-Th.,  
8:30-6 Fri., 9-12:30 Sat.

## Denholm Family Chiropractic P.C.

**Owner:** Dr. Craig B. Denholm

**Founded:** In Practice Since 1984

**Type of Business:** Chiropractic Health Care & Therapeutic Massage.

**Brands of Products:** Chiroflow Cervical Pillows, Standard Process and Biotics Nutritional Supplements, Sleep Well Massage Oils, Foot Levelers Orthotics.

**Specialties/Services:** We specialize in back and neck problems including: headaches, neck stiffness, pain between shoulders, low back pain, hip and leg pain. We help people that have been injured in auto and work accidents.

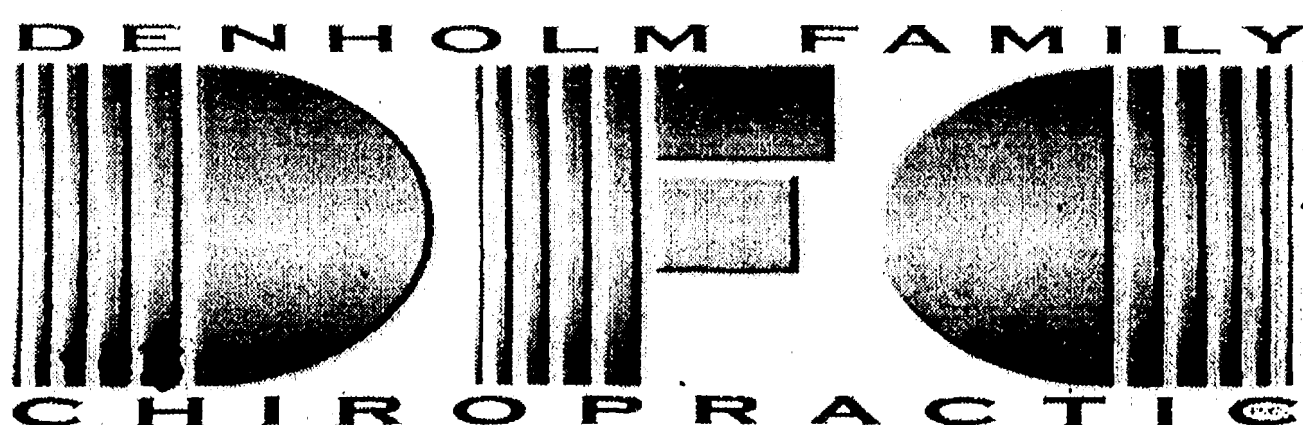
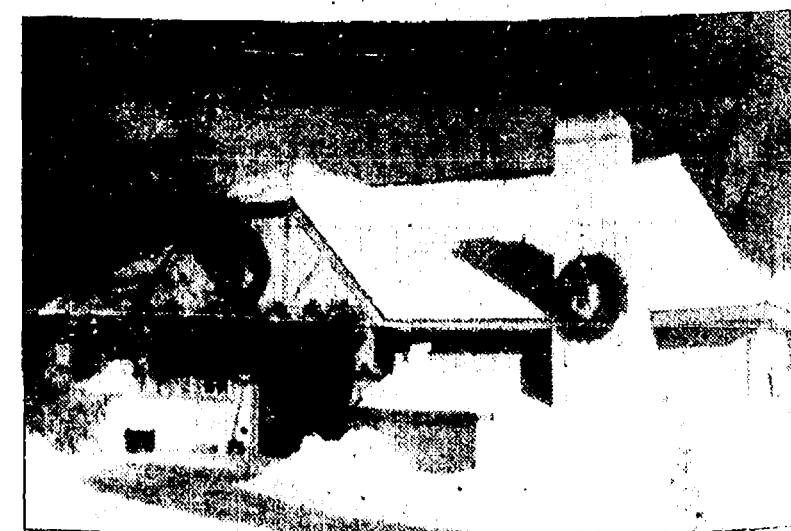
**Professional Associations:** American Chiropractic Association, Michigan Chiropractic Society, American Board of Chiropractic Sports Physicans.

**Community Activities:** Member in the Grayling Rotary, Active in Church youth activities.

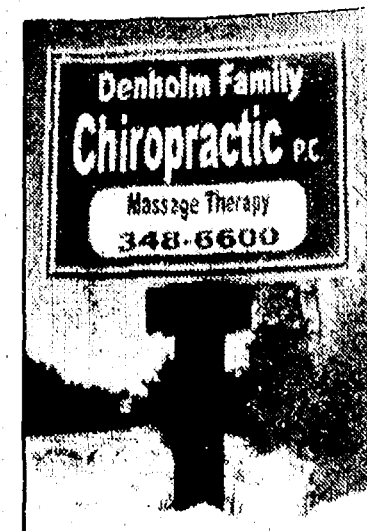
**Motto/Slogan:** Striving for excellence in natural health care for the whole family!



Back L-R, Dr. Craig Denholm, CCSP; Susan Denholm, CA;  
Front L-R, Sandi Hasson, MT;  
Veronica Easterly, CA; Toni Dunsmore, MT

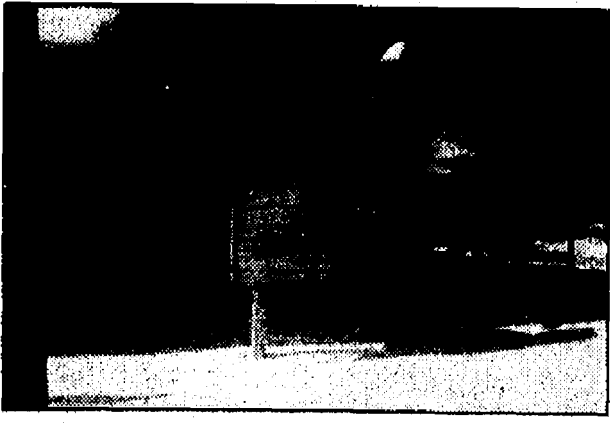


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Sat. by Appointment  
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## Toupin Chiropractic Clinics, P.C.



**Owner:** Dr. Suzanne J. Toupin  
**Founded:** Grayling - 1992 July / Lewiston 1990 February  
**Type of Business:** Low force care for the spine. Everyday wear and tear, old injuries and even stress can impair the musculoskeletal system. Over 50% of patients that go to a doctor go because of low back or neck pain. Activator Method Chiropractic Technique (AMCT) is the most widely used low force technique in chiropractic. Over 30,000 doctors world-

wide use the AMCT. The numbers speak for themselves. Call us today to try the latest advances in chiropractic.

**Brands of Products:** Memory and water cervical pillows, Nature Sunshine products, herbal, vitamins and minerals, therapeutic pain and arthritis relief creams, such as Bio-Freeze and joint gel.

**Specialties/Services:** Contact Reflex Analysis (CRA) is a simple, safe, natural way of analyzing the body's structural, physical, and nutritional needs. Also, a computerized nutritional evaluation is used in conjunction to help in your personal nutritional program. Other Therapies Include: Relaxing Aqua massage bed and Intersegmental Traction.

**Professional Associations:** Michigan Chiropractic Society (M.C.S.), Century Club Member, American Chiropractic Assoc., American Association of University Women, Past President District 6 (M.C.S) 1996 & 1998, Special Nomination by Governor for Michigan Board of Chiropractic Examiners

**Community Activities:** Grayling and Lewiston Chamber Member, Several fund raisers for: River House Shelter, Christian Help Center, Lewiston Community Sharing, and Lewiston Best Friends. Several classes are taught at the clinics as well as various community organizations which include: Stress management, herbal and nutritional classes, Reiki - Neuromuscular Integrative Action (NIA) dance white belt instructor and many more.

**Slogan:** "We care about your health!" "How can we help?"

**About Us:** For more info, contact our web site at: [www.chiromi.com/toupinchiropractic.htm](http://www.chiromi.com/toupinchiropractic.htm) or e-mail us at: [drgrayling@i2k.com](mailto:drgrayling@i2k.com)



Melissa Beckett and  
Dr. Suzanne J. Toupin, D.C.

## TOUPIN CHIROPRACTIC CLINICS, P.C.

SUZANNE J. TOUPIN, D.C.



Grayling 348-4560 Lewiston 786-5288

Grayling Hours:

Mon. & Wed. 9 AM to Noon and 2 to 5:30 PM.

Tues. & Thurs. 9 AM to Noon and 2 to 4:30 PM.

## 7-ELEVEN

**Address:** 313 South James Street, Grayling, MI 49738

**Hours:** Open 24 Hours, 7 Days a Week, 365 Days a Year

**Owner:** Jacquie Smith

**Opened:** 1981 ( Jacquie Smith, owner since 1985)

**Type of Business:** 7-Eleven's are convenience stores offering long hours, easy parking, a variety of needed products for daily living at fair prices, and fast friendly service.

**Brand of Products:** Range from major labels such as Frito-Lay, Pepsi, Coca-Cola, Hershey's, Nabisco, & 7-Eleven's Name Brand products: Big Gulps, Slurpees, Roller Grill items, Nachos, Cafe Coolers and Famous 7-Eleven Coffees.

**Specialty Items:** Tracofones and airtime minutes along with phone cards by Verizon, Western Union Money Orders, Michigan Lottery & Lotto, and ATM service along with great monthly specials.

**Community Activities:** We are connected to the DARE programs, Animal Shelter, Special Olympics and other programs throughout the year.

**Awards:** This past year I was given the President's Choice Award for 2002 from our company in recognition of my efforts and activities to help, support & enhance the 7-Eleven system as well as the community. The store also has won the People's Choice Awards for best convenience store, best newsstand, best coffee, friendliest employees and best cashier for 2002 & 2001.

**Motto:** The motto we adhere to is Fast, Friendly Service 24 Hours a Day!

We try our hardest to be fast, courtesy & helpful while providing great products at fair prices and easy front door parking. If we can do it we will. The staff we have today have been here a long time so they know the customers by name and what they need, which in turn we all hope makes them feel at home and important as each one of them are. So if you haven't been in yet please do and see what we have to offer. We're here and ready to serve you.

Jacquie, Pam, Johanna, Rose, Kim, Tom, Jonathan & Roy

# Michaywé



## Michaywé Dining



## Michaywé Golfing

*Experience the Michaywé of life...* That phrase best describes the Michaywé community. More than a golf course; more than a restaurant; more than a development; Michaywé is a way of life.

A residential and recreational area just south of the Gaylord city limits, Michaywé winds, rolls and turns through a magnificent forest. All of this splendor is accompanied by first-class amenities for property owners, some of which are shared with non-property owners as well.

The Pines Golf Course, open to the public, is finely tuned and classically styled. Mother Nature provides wildlife, ponds, the AuSable River and the majesty of the wind rustling among the stately pine trees. Players at all levels experience a challenging and exceptional round of golf.

Open all year, the main clubhouse offers an indoor pool, sauna, and whirlpool/hot tub. The outdoor pool, pavilion, patio, deck and private beach on Opal Lake opens for the season on Memorial Day weekend. Property owners have access to all facilities.

Banquet rooms are available to the public for meetings, receptions, and special events accommodating groups of up to 150 guests. The Wildlife Saloon and Inn The Woods restaurants are open seven days a week all year. Enjoy excellent food, a beautiful view of the lake and a casual setting that welcomes you, your friends and your family.

One of the greatest elements of Michaywé is the people that volunteer their time, skills and talents to the community. The gardens, special building projects, the annual arts and crafts fair, a team in the Relay for Life...the contributions go on and on and on.

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## Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce is a not-for-profit organization with a membership base of individuals and businesses, all working together to advance the commercial, industrial, professional and financial interests in Crawford County. The work of the Chamber is supported by business investments and is independent of all government entities. A volunteer Board of Directors and President, working under the by-laws adopted by the Chamber membership guide the organization.

### 2002 - 2003 Board of Directors

#### Executive Board:

**CHAIRMAN**  
Laurie Figley - Milltown Title & Escrow  
**VICE CHAIRMAN**  
Dennis Palmer - M/T Kitchens  
**SECRETARY**  
Don Schanz - Associate Member  
**TREASURE**  
Lanice Rutter - Flowers by Josie  
**PAST PRESIDENT**  
Diane Tompkins-Burtch - Diane's Car Wash

#### Board Members:

Dave Malm - Weyerhaeuser Company  
Dave Schmidt  
Jeddy Hood - Flying Fish Lodge  
Becky Robinson - Gannon Broadcasting Systems  
Mary Fox - Mercy Hospital  
Therese Kaiser - Huntington Bank  
Sandy Coe - Fay's Motel & Cottages

#### Office Staff:

Tim Zigila  
Kathy Thomas  
Marianne Gosnell

#### Ex-Officio Members:

Terry Wright - Grayling Township  
Allen Lowe - City of Grayling  
Lynnette Corlew - Crawford City Board of Commissioners  
Milli Haug - Crawford AuSable Schools  
Cindy Olson - Grayling Recreational Authority  
Col. Dennis Hull - Camp Grayling

**City Park, 213 N. James St.  
348-2921**

**MISSION STATEMENT**  
The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce is the business and community advocate of Crawford County, focusing on the protection and advancement of economic and business development, community image, natural resources and quality of life of the region.

## J. DAP CO.

**Company Name:** J. Dap Co.

**Address:** 118 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738

**Hours:** Mon. - Fri. 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sat. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Owners:** Jamie Greer, Donna O'Grady, Ann Stephenson, and Pam Fisher

**Founded:** 1989

**Type of Business:** Gift Store, JCPenney Catalog Merchant and Tuxedo Rental.

**Brands of Products:** Gift Store: Yankee Candles, Park Design Kitchen Linens, Pictura Greeting Cards, Ceramic Art, and Beading Supplies.

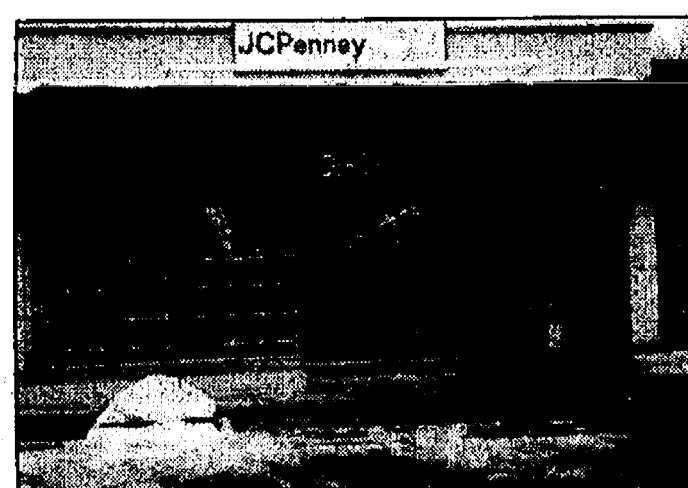
**Services:** Customer service including gift wrapping, personal shopping, and gift baskets.

**Professional Associations:** Grayling Uptown District Association.

**Slogan:** Quality Gifts at an Affordable Price.

**About us:** J. Dap Co. originated in the spring of 1989. The aspiration of four women, Jamie Greer, Donna O'Grady, Ann Stephenson and Pam Fisher, to start a business formed J. Dap Co. Housed in a building that has a long retail history are four businesses: JCPenney Catalog Merchant, J. Dap Gift Store, J. Dap Tuxedo Rental and Western Union.

J. Dap is proud to join the ranks of the fine businesses established in the Grayling area, both past and present and owe their success to the continual support of the residents of Crawford County.



## Grayling Physical Therapy

**Address:** 200 Huron, Suite 200, behind Pizza Hut, Grayling, MI 49738

**Hours:** 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

**Owners:** Pat Cosgrove PT, Roger Karsten PT, and Gus Meyjes PT

**Founded:** September 1998

**Type of Business:** Outpatient physical therapy rehabilitation for all types of musculo-skeletal and neurological injuries.

**We offer:** Outpatient treatment with emphasis on patient education to reduce symptoms and re-injury episodes. We educate each client in proper posture and safe body mechanics to reduce back and neck pain, as necessary. We provide joint mobilization and passive stretching techniques to restore full joint mobility, therapeutic exercise for improved flexibility, strength, muscle balance, and gait training. Ultrasound, electrical stimulation, heat and cold packs and mechanical traction are utilized, as needed.

**Specialties:** Pat Cosgrove is a Physical Therapist with a Masters Degree in Orthopedic Manual Therapy. He utilizes a hands on approach to soft tissue and joint injuries to improve muscle balancing, strengthening, and restoring normal joint range of motion.

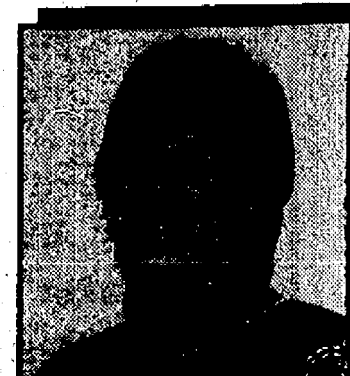
**Professional Associations:** Pat is a member of the American Physical Therapy and Michigan Physical Therapy Association. He has been a member since 1984.

**Community Activities:** Pat is a member of the Grayling Rotary Club - serving the community.

**About us:** Our caring and personable staff help us provide the Grayling community with excellent and effective physical therapy treatment. Our staff includes: Pat Cosgrove PT, board certified specialist in Orthopedic Physical Therapy, has been practicing for 19 years. Jackie Bindschatel, office manager and a PT aide; Mary Jo Cosgrove PTA, with 20 years experience; and Bonnie Piper, PT aide.



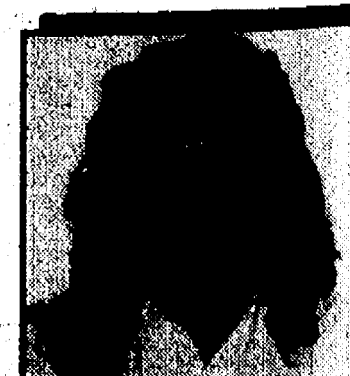
**PAT COSGROVE**  
Physical Therapist (PT),  
Master of Orthopedic  
Manual Therapy (MOMT),  
Orthopedic Certified  
Specialist (OCS)



**MARY JO COSGROVE**  
Physical Therapist Assistant



**JACKIE BINDSCHATEL**  
Office Manager/  
Physical Therapy Aide



**BONNIE PIPER**  
Physical Therapy Aide



**GRAYLING  
PHYSICAL  
THERAPY**

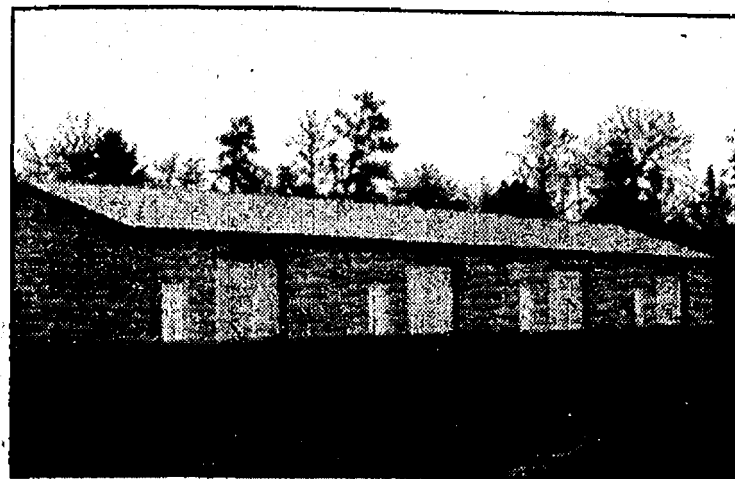
**200 Huron St., Suite 200, Grayling**  
(Located behind Grayling Pizza Hut)

**348-3027**



## JANSEN WAREHOUSING

### COMMERCIAL - PERSONAL STORAGE



#### PERSONAL STORAGE:

- Cars
- Motorhomes
- Snowmobiles
- Boats etc.

#### SPECIAL SEASONAL RATES:

October thru March

- Boats/RV's

- \$10 per running foot for the season

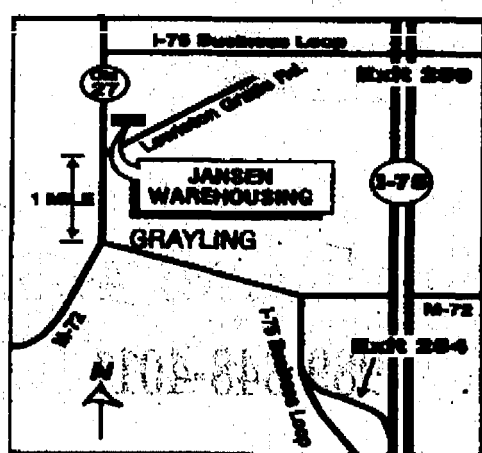
- Motorcycles - \$50

30 x 40 Units - \$300 per month

12 x 40 units - \$120 per month

#### COMMERCIAL STORAGE:

- Overflow Or Seasonal Stock
- Convenient Location For 24 Hr. Transfer From Over The Road Trucks To Route Trucks Or Between Route Trucks
- Commercial Storage & Warehousing Built to Suit



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## Davis Jewelers



**Company:** Davis Jewelers

**Address:** 235 Michigan Avenue, Uptown Grayling

**Hours:** 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Monday thru Saturday

**Owner:** We are Locally Owned and Operated

**Founded:** 1941

**Type of Business:** Retail Jeweler

**Products:** Alfred Levitt Wedding Collection, Artcarved Bridal, 18K & Platinum Designer Jewelry by Cordova, Kabana Inlaid Opal Jewelry, Reed & Barton Jewelry Chests, Accutron, Citizen & Pulsar Watches.

**Specialties:** Gemologist on premises, custom jewelry design and manufacture, jewelry repair and watch repair.

**Associations:** Gemological Institute of America Alumni Association, National Association of Jewelry Appraisers, Jeweler of America.

**Slogan:** "Wouldn't You Rather Say It Came From Davis."

**About Us:** You're probably familiar with the time honored store front, but have you met all the new friendly faces on the inside. Davis Jewelers is truly a "Gem" of a store right in the "Heart of Grayling" since 1941. We have a very nostalgic look on the inside, an unhurried atmosphere. Remember when people greeted you by your name and a handshake meant something. That's what we at Davis Jewelers are endeavoring to do, create satisfaction, and put the word "personal" back into service. Stop in and say "Hello" and let us know how we can be of service to you.

**Davis**  
Jewelers & Gemologists

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"It Came From Davis"

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## MERCY AMICARE

**MERCY AMICARE  
HOMECARE & HOSPICE**  
Affiliated with MERCY HOSPITAL GRAYLING

**MERCY HEALTHCARE  
AT HOME**  
A member of Trinity Health



Mary Beth Brady, Spiritual Care/  
Bereavement Coord. and Faith Stripe



Barbra Ressler and  
Paul Drew, Physical Therapist

**About Us:** Mercy Amicare Homecare & Hospice was first founded in 1985 when Trinity Health Services, then Mercy Health Services, realized that people received health care in a variety of settings other than the hospital. Over time, home care would include skilled hospice and private duty services. Skilled care is ordered by physicians to assist individuals back to optimum independence after they have experienced a sudden change in health. Hospice provides comfort care to people with life limiting illness in their place of residence. Private duty provides individuals who need support care (homemaking; home aide) the assistance to stay in their own home.

The staff providing care have ongoing specialized training. we care about you, we focus our quality on you, and we respect that we are guests in your home.

**Homecare Services Include:** Skilled Nursing, IV Therapy, Home Health Aides, Social Work, Nutrition, Speech, Physical, Occupational, and Enterostomal Therapy.

**Hospice Services Include:** Skilled Nursing, Social Work, Home Health Aides, Trained Volunteers, Spiritual Support, Bereavement Counseling, Respite Care, Pain and Symptom Management, and Emotional Support.

**Mercy Healthcare At Home Offers:** Companionship, Light Housekeeping, Home Health Aides, and Nursing Services.

**Community Activities:** Chamber of Commerce member, participation in community health by offering blood pressure/sugar screening, educational presentations, bereavement support groups, and annual memorial service. Facilitates Crawford County Alzheimer's Support Group.

**Professional Associations:** National Association of Home Care, Michigan Hospice & Palliative Care Organization.

*We serve together at Trinity Health, in the spirit of the Gospel, to heal body, mind and spirit, to improve the health of our communities and steward the resources entrusted to us.*

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# Otsego Memorial Hospital

## OTSEGO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

**Founded:** 1951

**Principle Activity:** Meeting the health needs of Gaylord and surrounding communities.

**Motto:** *Good Health Starts Here.*

**About Us:** Otsego Memorial Hospital has continued to grow and pursue excellence with its community. With 87 beds, OMH medical staff serves 1,800 in-patients each year and more than 45,000 out-patients. The hospital employs more than 400 people, 90 of which are medical staff. The Hospital main switchboard can be reached at (989) 731-2100.

## OTSEGO MEMORIAL MEDCARE WALK-IN CLINIC

**Founded:** 1992

**Principle Activity:** Treating minor injuries and illnesses.

**A service of:** Otsego Memorial Hospital

**About Us:** Between 30 and 50 patients are seen each day at Otsego Memorial Hospital's MedCare Walk-In Clinic. Located at 1996 Walden Drive, off Old 27 South, the clinic is staffed with medical personnel to see patients who need immediate attention. No appointment is necessary. The MedCare Walk-In Clinic can be reached at (989) 731-4111.

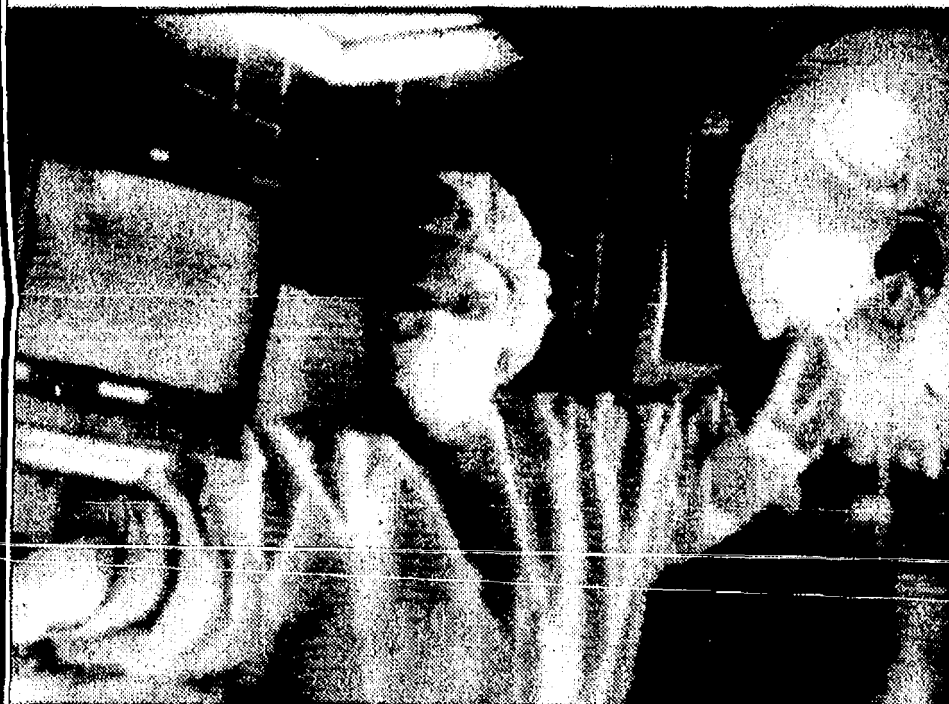
## OTSEGO MEMORIAL PHYSICIAN SERVICES

**Founded:** 1951

**Principle Activity:** Providing specialized medical expertise to meet the health needs of the community.

**A service of:** Otsego Memorial Hospital

**About Us:** Otsego Memorial Hospital offers physician services in a variety of areas, including Family Practice, Pediatrics, Oncology, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Internal Medicine and Integrative Medicine. Many of these providers are located in the Hospital's new 37,500-square-foot Professional Medical Building, which houses 15 physicians. Call (989) 731-2300 for a physician referral.



*Good Health Starts Here.*



## OTSEGO MEMORIAL SHARED CARE

**Founded:** 1989

**Principle Activity:** Providing medical equipment and respiratory therapy for home use.

**A service of:** Otsego Memorial Hospital

**About Us:** The goal of Shared Care is to enable people to live independently even though they may have health restrictions. Shared Care offers free delivery and emergency service 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Its products include wheelchairs, oxygen therapy, hospital beds and ambulatory aids and more. Shared Care is located at 309 North St. Shared Care can be reached at (989) 732-0656.

## OTSEGO MEMORIAL MCREYNOLDS HALL

**Founded:** 1964

**Principle Activity:** Restoring health and encouraging independence by providing short term rehabilitation and long term care.

**A service of:** Otsego Memorial Hospital

**About Us:** An extended care facility, McReynolds Hall is licensed for 34 beds and is designed to provide an array of services to the people and families of Otsego and surrounding communities. McReynolds Hall is at 825 N. Center Ave. behind the Hospital. McReynolds Hall can be reached at (989) 731-2131.

## OTSEGO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

**Founded:** 1976

**Principle Activity:** Raising funds and soliciting financial support for Otsego Memorial Hospital.

**A service of:** Otsego Memorial Hospital

**About Us:** The Otsego Memorial Hospital Foundation contributes approximately \$50,000 in grant funding to the Hospital each year. These funds go toward equipment and programs to further the health of the Gaylord and surrounding communities. The Foundation's main fund-raiser is its annual golf outing, which raised \$25,000 this year. The Foundation can be reached at (989) 731-2342 or at 825 N. Center Ave.



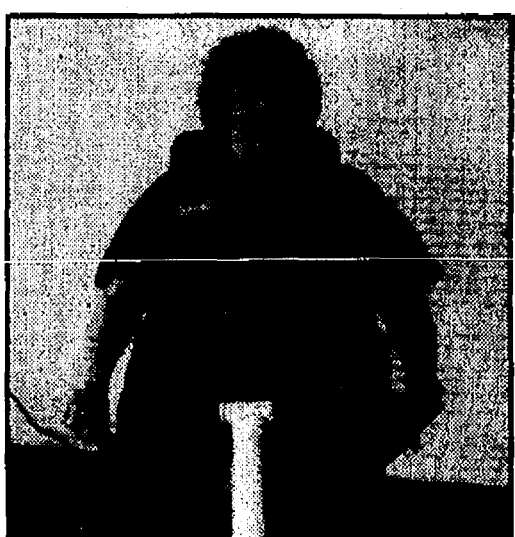
# Curves



Owner: Tracey & Madison Leonard 2 yrs. old



Kasandra Grant  
Regional Manager



Lisa Schiesler  
Fitness Tech.

**Our Story:** We have been involved with Curves for 5 years, bringing the first Curves to Michigan in 1998. Now operating in 13 locations. We travel Michigan as a family with children Spencer 4, Madison 2, and Devin on the way!

**Curves Business:** Fitness and Weight Loss Program. Specialized for Women.

**Curves Products:** Curves Supplements, Vitamins and Nutritional Products.

**Curves Services:** Cardiovascular and Strength Training. Specialize in 30 Minute Workout and Weight Loss Guidance and Promoting a Healthier Lifestyle for Women.

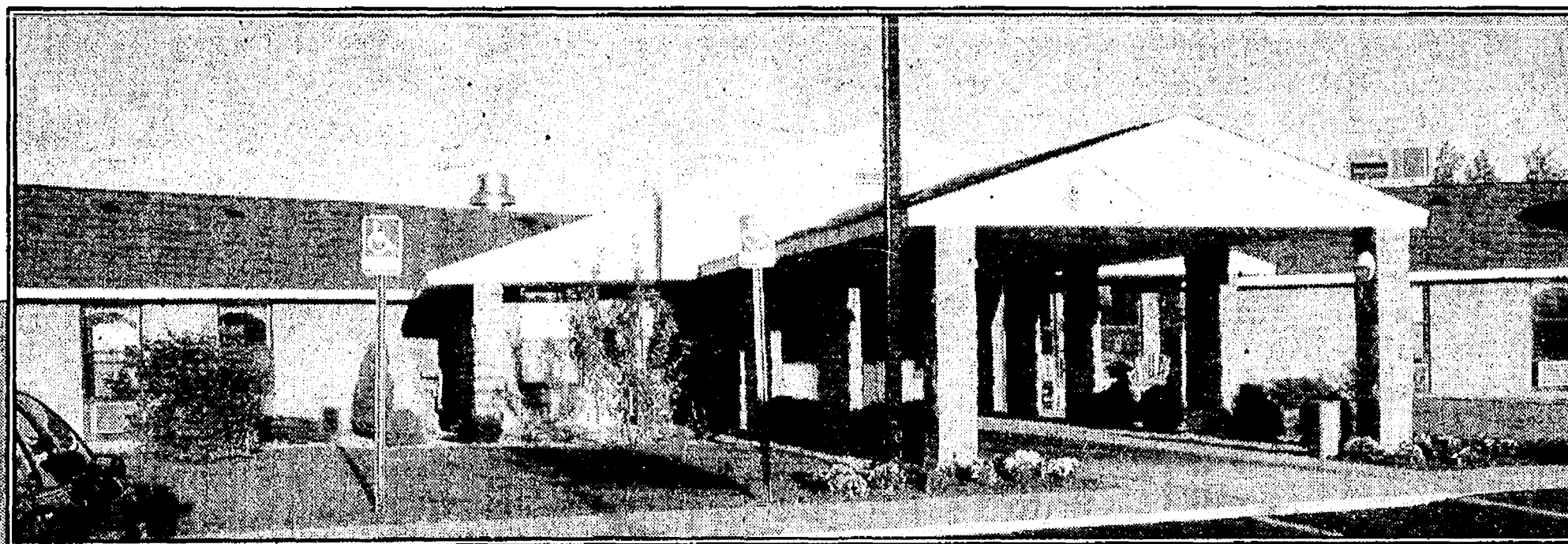
**Motto/Slogan:** If You Can Walk Through Our Door, You Can Do This Program and Improve Your Way Of Life!



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## Grayling Nursing Centre



**Company Name:** Grayling Nursing Centre  
**Address:** 331 Meadows Drive, Grayling, MI 49738 • (989) 348-2801  
**Hours:** 24 Hours a day skilled Nursing Care  
**Owners:** Community Centre Group, Marilyn Heard, Executive Director  
**Founded:** New ownership on October 1, 1999  
**Principal Activity:** 24 Hour Nursing Care, Nursing Facility  
**We offer:** Complete care for the elderly, and those needing rehab therapies after illness or surgery.  
**Specialties:** Daily planned activities to stimulate the mind, body and spirit. Planned therapeutic meals, 24 hour nursing care, physical, occupational and speech therapy, and support group for Alzheimer's disease.  
 We accept Veterans, BCBS, Medicare, Medicaid and other private insurances.  
**Professional Associations:** Member of Grayling Chamber of Commerce, Senior Companion Program and Health Care Association of Michigan.  
**Community Activities:** Participate in American Cancer Society Events, Alzheimer Association events. Location of the 2003 Crawford County Relay for Life Event for American Cancer Society.  
**Slogan:** Professional Care, Personal Caring  
**About us:** In 1999 the facility was purchased by Community Centre Group. A complete renovation of the facility was completed in 2002. Family satisfaction surveys completed every year with scores of 95% to 100% satisfaction. Compliant with State and Federal surveys, rules and regulations.





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**Charlene Scheer**  
*Broker/Owner*

Has 14 years of real estate experience. Charlene is a Limited Real Estate Appraiser, ABR, CRB, CRS, and GRI and has earned the 100% Club, Executive Club, President's Club and has a business background.

"Expect the best service and satisfaction. Our designations qualify us to provide you with the best Real Estate Service." Charlene also enjoys working with the public and strives in customer satisfaction.

Email: charlene@freeway.net.



**Craig Hinkle**  
*Broker/Owner*

Has 24 years of real estate experience. Craig is a State Licensed Appraiser, has achieved the Platinum Club Award in 1998-2002, and has been #3 in transactions in 1998 and in 2002 for Re/Max Agents regionally. Craig has a background in finance, investment & appraisal through classes at Central Michigan University.

"Congratulations to the sales & support staff at Re/Max of Grayling, we experienced our best year in 2002. I believe this was coupled by favorable interest rates and our agents local market knowledge."

Email: cehinkle@hotmail.com



**Fred Fisher**  
*Sales Associate*

Has 1 year of real estate experience. He has won the Re/Max President Club Award.

"As the most recent addition, I believe my fresh enthusiasm combined with the expertise of the finest brokers, agents, and support staff in the county make Re/Max of Grayling the winning team."

Email: FredTFisher@remax.net

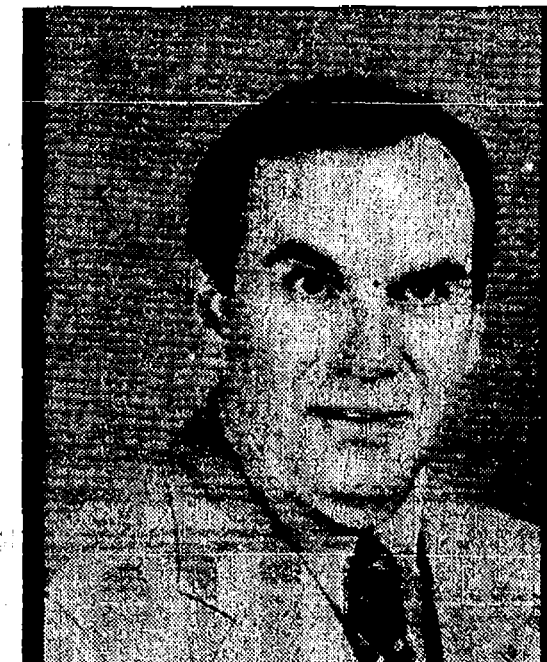


**Tom Slavens**  
*Sales Associate*

Has 6 years of real estate experience.

"See me for your real estate needs."

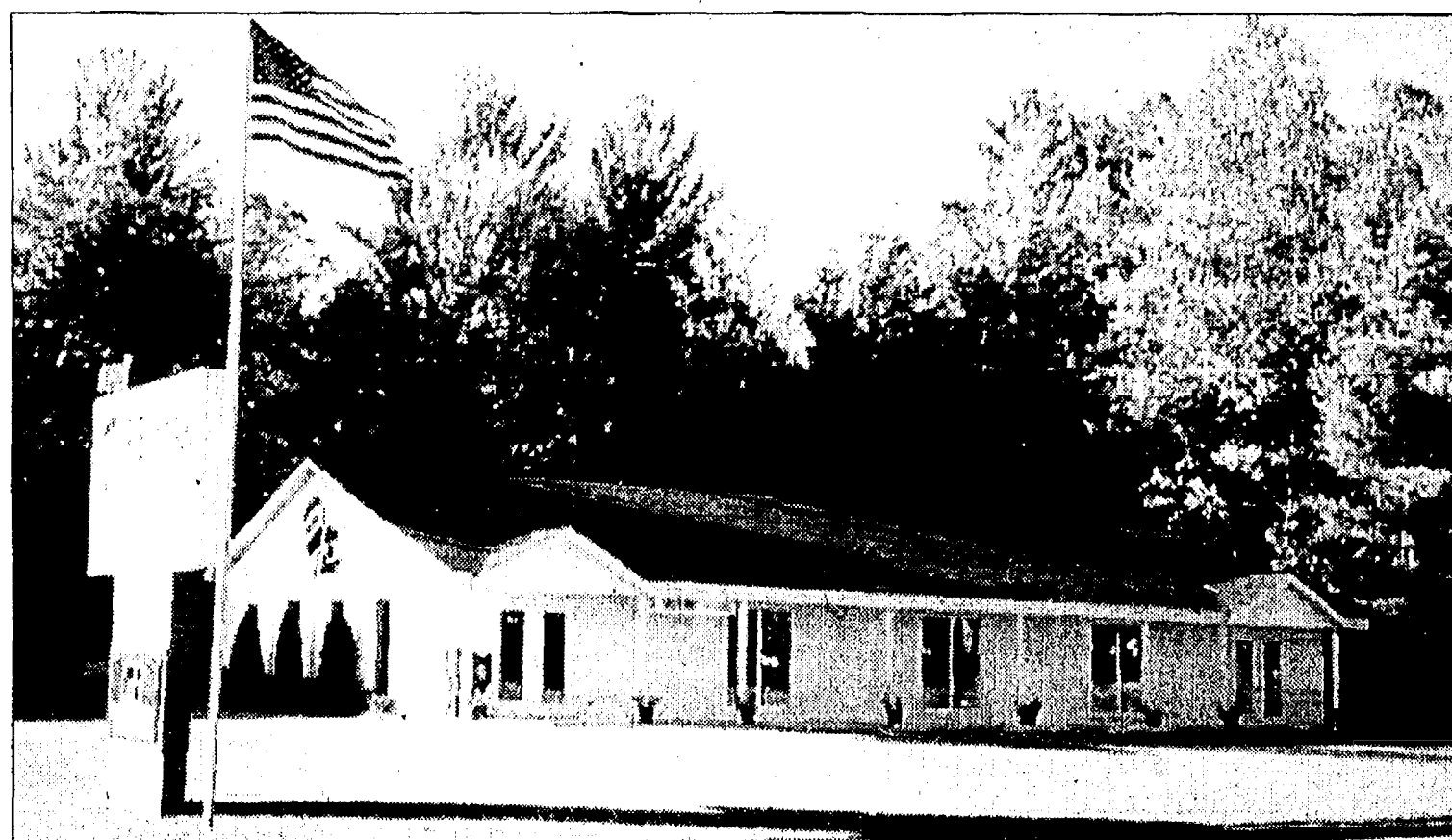
Email: tslavens@i2k.net



**Gary Boyd**  
*Associate Broker*

Has 10 years of real estate experience. He has received the Re/Max Executive Club Award for 5 years and the Re/Max 100% Club Award for 2 years. Gary is also a graduate of Clio High School and attended Ferris State and Flint Jr. College with a major in Business Administration

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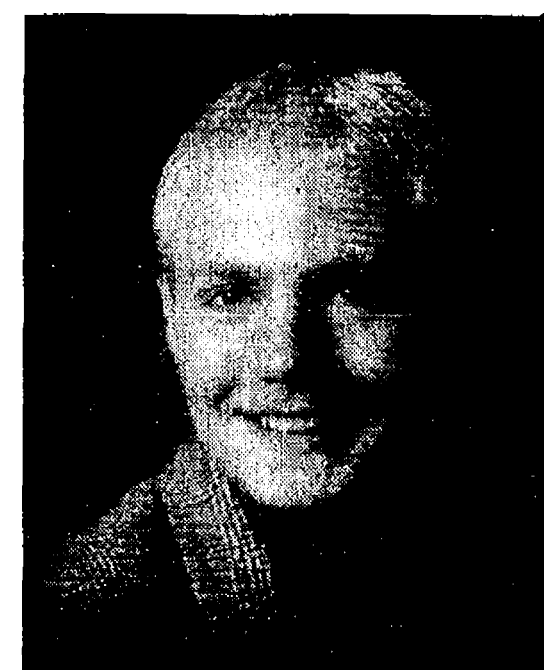


**Kelly Millikin**  
*Licensed-Executive*

*Assistant to Craig Hinkle*  
Has 8 years of experience. She has attended Davenport College to achieve Marketing & Accounting experience.

"I have grown up in the business and have been at Re/Max since High School and every year gets better. Congrats to the Re/Max team."

Email: jax@freeway.net



**Bryan Stoutenburg**  
*Executive Assistant*  
*to Charlene Scheer*

Has 4 years of experience. He has an Associates of Science background. Bryan believes in fair & competitive business across the entire playing field.

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# Davenport University



(l-r): Tom Miller, Terri Lukshaitis, Nadia Washburn, Sheila Simpson, Lynn Seelye-Sparks and Karen Aune.

**Hours:** Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**Manager:** Sheila Simpson, Coordinator  
**Founded:** Grand Rapids - 1866; Gaylord - 1994  
**Principal Activity:** Higher education programs including Certificates, Associate's, Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in business, health and technology. Courses offered on-campus at the University Center at Gaylord or online.  
**Classification:** Private, Non-profit, Four-Year University.  
**Specialties/Services:** Open Admission. On-site advising and one-on-one counseling. Complete financial aid services. Faculty who work in the fields they teach.  
**Community Activities:** Alpenfest, Gaylord Community Schools Adopt-A-Class, Otsego County Sportsplex Sponsor, Boyne Falls Polish Festival.  
**Motto:** Make a Living, Make a Life, Make a Contribution.

**About us:** Whether you're just starting out, or making plans to go back to school, Davenport University can help with degree programs at all levels available in Gaylord or online. Choose from Accounting Information Management, Applied Business, Business Professional Studies, Computer Networking Technology, Entrepreneurship, Management, Systems Application Development and many others. Our tiered programs let you earn your Certificate, Associate's or Bachelor's Degree and then apply those credits to the next higher degree - and transferring credits from the work you did elsewhere helps speed you along.

One of 30 Davenport locations in Michigan and Indiana, Davenport University - Gaylord offers the opportunity to build a college career that fits you. Your schedule. Your interests. Your career goals. Classes are offered locally in the evenings or online to fit your busy schedule and every Davenport program is designed to deliver the practical, marketable skills you need to make your future brighter. So, you don't just get a degree at Davenport, you get to reinvent you.

Stop by our office at the new University Center at Gaylord or contact Sheila Simpson at **705-3720** or **888-352-5191**.

For more information, visit us online at **www.davenport.edu**.



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The Holiday Inn staff looks forward to meeting the needs of everyone who walks through our doors. Guests will enjoy a relaxing stay in one of our 151 clean, comfortable rooms. Families will find fun in our Holidome, whether it be in our indoor pool, kiddie pool, whirlpool or sauna. Kids love the indoor playground and kids of all ages can take advantage of our game room and indoor activities. The Crawford Station Restaurant serves breakfast, lunch and dinner in a casual northern atmosphere. At the end of the day unwind in the Speak Easy Saloon, dancing to the tunes of live entertainment. Golf, canoe and weekend packages are available.

Holiday Inn is proud to be an integral part of the Grayling community, and looks forward to serving the area for many years to come. We are pleased to welcome visitors to the Grayling area and strive to make every stay an enjoyable experience.

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*Whether you're planning a family get-away or a convention, we can service all your needs!*

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# Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty



*& Houghton Lake*



**Location:** 2003 S. I-75 Business Loop, Grayling.

**Hours:** Monday-Saturday 9 am - 5:30 pm & Sunday by appointment only.

**Owners:** Kevin & Laurie Jamison.

**Founded:** 1950's as Cornell Realty, Franchised in 1999.

**Classification:** Real Estate Sales.

**Brands of Products:** Recreational, residential, 2nd homes, investment opportunities, and vacant land.

**Specialties/Services:** Market Valuations, Property Development, Property Investment Opportunities, Concierge Services for before and after the sale, home warranties, and pre-qualify for mortgages.

**Professional Associations/Awards:** Michigan Association of Realtors, National Association of Realtors, Water Wonderland Board of Realtors, Paul Bunyan Board of Realtors, Coldwell Banker Premier Office Award every year since franchised, Accredited Buyer Representative Agents.

**Community Activities:** Chamber of Commerce, Habitat for Humanity and Rotary.

**Motto/slogan:** "We're All About Up North!"

**About Us:** Three office locations - Grayling, Roscommon/Higgins Lake & Prudenville/Houghton Lake. We offer full time staff to provide quality service through all steps of the home buying & home selling process. Additionally, we have highly trained agents who understand all aspects of real estate transactions and to professionally assist you with all your real estate needs. Always friendly, always professional!

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# Hart Pontiac GMC Buick

**Owners:**

Bill and Tim Hart

**Founded:**

August 1, 1998

**Type of Business:**

General Motors New  
Car Dealership

**Brands of Products:**

Pontiac, Buick,  
GMC Trucks

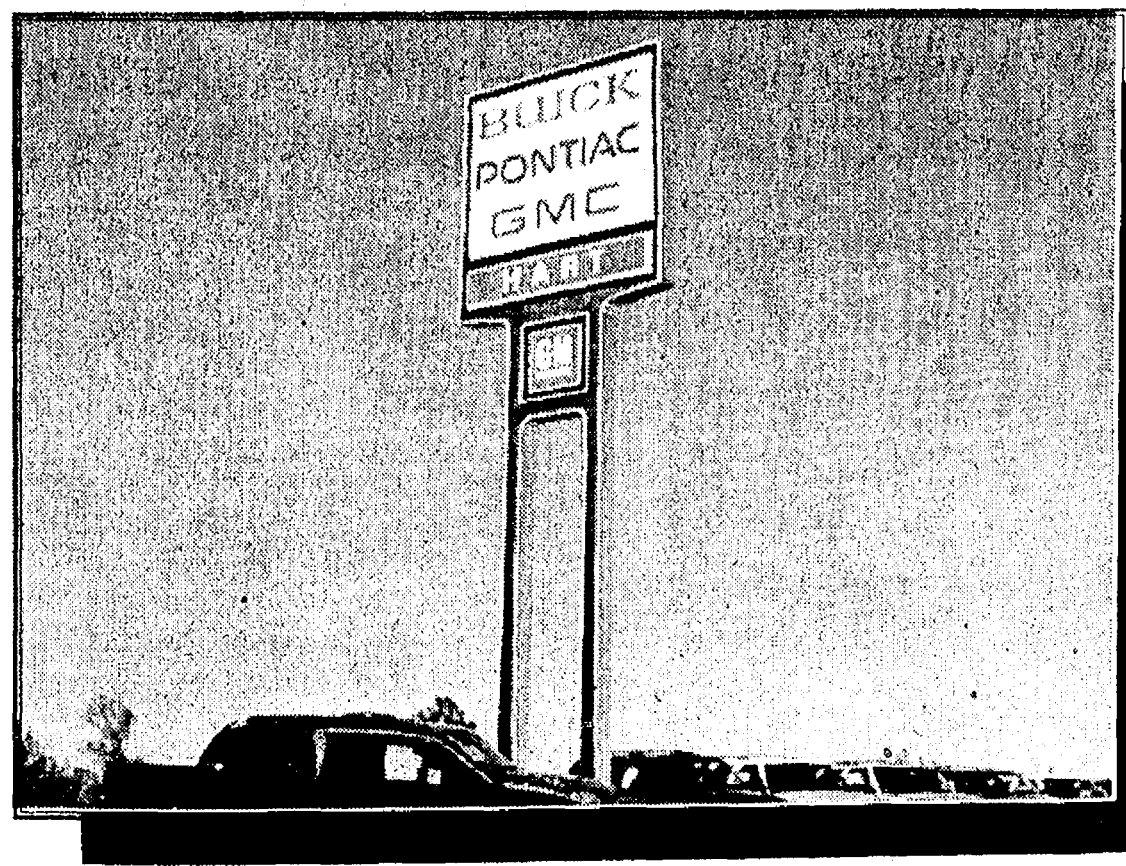
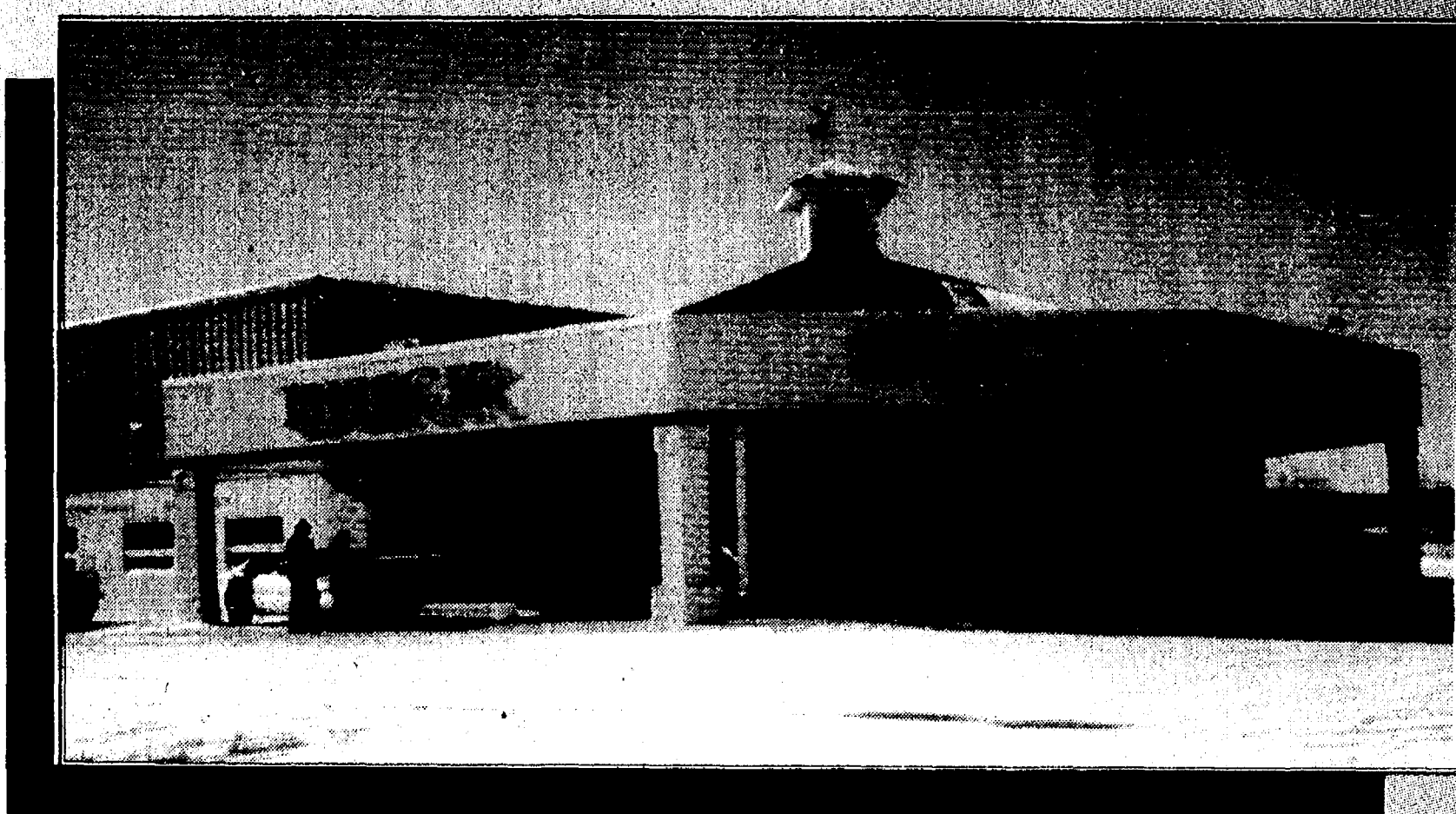
**Specialties/Services:** Automotive Service, Sales, and Leasing.

Walk in service, no appointment necessary. Excellent Service!

**Community Activities:** West Branch Chamber Director, AuSable  
River Canoe Marathon Sponsor, Triple Crown Recreation Authority  
Major Sponsor. Grayling Chamber of Commerce Members.

**Professional Association/Awards:** General Motors 2002 Mark of  
Excellence Winner in all 3 Divisions.

**Motto/Slogan/Quote:** Our Service and Professionalism Sells Our  
Cars.



**About Us:** Bill is married to Vickie Larson and they have two children, Eric 18, and Andrew 13. They are members of the Grayling Free Methodist Church. Tim is married to Jan Henderson and they have one child, Timothy II 22 months old.



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# Scheer Motors

<b>Owner:</b>	Brad Scheer
<b>Founder:</b>	Bill Scheer
<b>Type of Business:</b>	Your only original, locally owned & operated car dealership with, new & used cars and trucks. Full mechanical & body repair facilities.
<b>Brands of Products:</b>	Chevy, Olds, Cadillac, Buick, Pontiac, Chrysler, Dodge & Jeep
<b>Community Activities:</b>	Chamber Member, Annual Sponsor of Athena Award, Milltown Festival Car Show Sponsor, and AuSable River Marathon Sponsor.

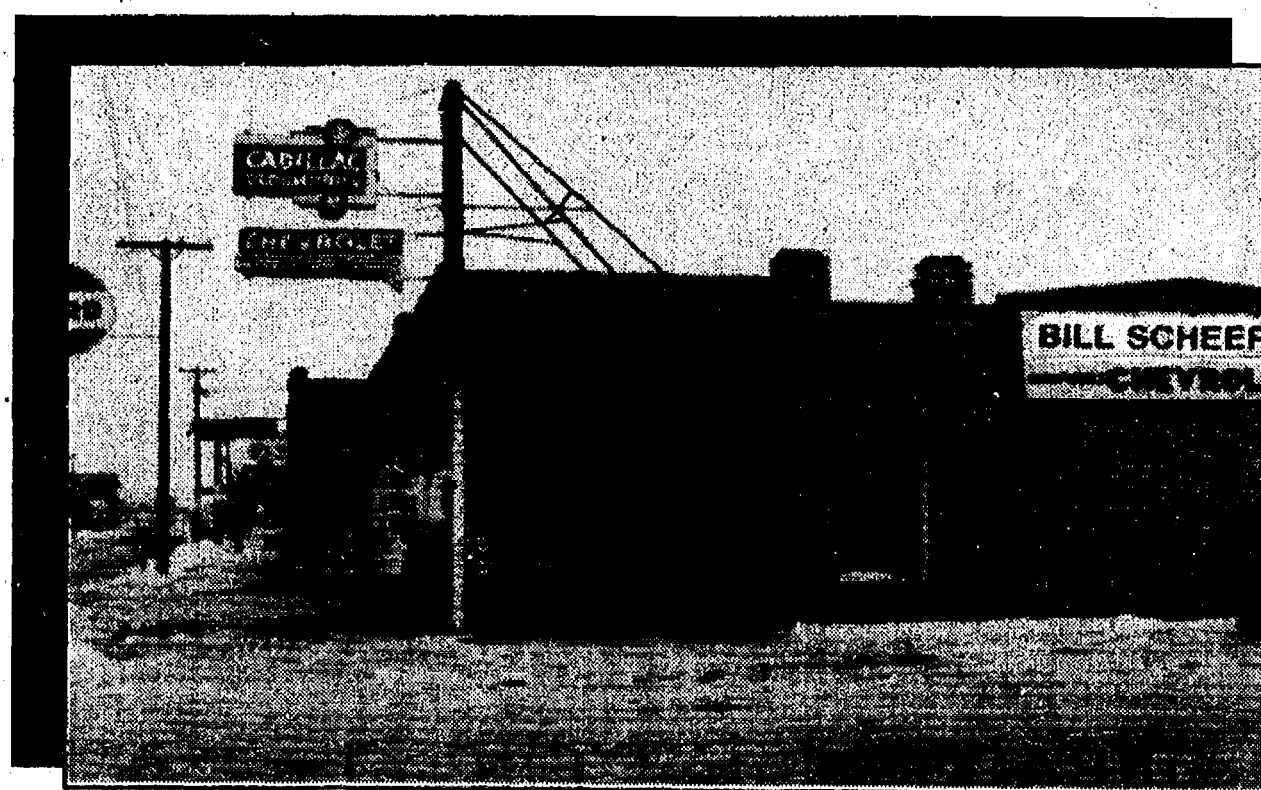


Scheer Motors is a hometown family dealership founded in 1965. The original dealership was located at the current site of Blockbuster Video until 1972 when it moved to its present location. Since then it has gone through many expansions and renovations but has never lost its hometown roots.

We have sold over 20,000 cars and trucks over the years and we are very proud to say that approximately 98% of what is paid to Scheer Motors goes back out in the form of wages, expenses and other costs of sales.

When you deal in your hometown you are keeping your hard-earned dollars at work for your local community. And by the way, we pledge to do our part by beating the price of any or all out-of-town dealers. Just give us a chance to prove it and you'll be helping out Grayling at the same time! We also pledge to give you special hometown attention when it comes to service. We have all the factory tools and training we need. Our high GM and Chrysler Service Satisfaction scores prove that we are committed.

Please accept our heart felt Thanks to all of our customers and please allow us to invite you to let us prove that we can and will save you money. Remember, it's a win-win situation for all of us when you deal right here in Grayling.



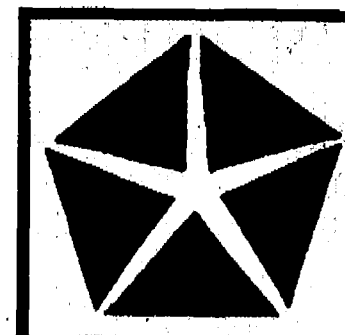
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## Avalanche changes hands, kept in the family

► No immediate changes expected as new owners take the helm

For the first time in 36 years, *The Crawford County Avalanche* has new owners.

Richard and Donna Milliman have sold the newspaper they have owned since 1967.

The new owners are their children: Teresa Milliman Fitzwater, Dirk Milliman and Ann Marie Milliman, who announced the purchase of the newspaper company from their parents.

All currently are active in the family newspaper business.

"We are very pleased to be assuming responsibility for such a fine newspaper as *The Avalanche*," said Dirk Milliman, president of the new company. "Ownership of *The Avalanche* is something we've been preparing to do for a long time, and now our dream has come true."

"We have a sound staff in place

now, headed by Linda Golnick as general manager, who produce a fine newspaper every week. We want to continue to grow in the Grayling area, and to provide *Avalanche* readers and advertisers with the highest quality newspaper possible for their money."

The new owners said they plan no immediate changes in the personnel or operations of the newspaper.

Teresa, Dirk and Ann Marie Milliman also have purchased from their parents *The Three Rivers Commercial News* and *Penny Saver*, a daily newspaper and weekly shopping guide, which the Millimans acquired in 1981.

Richard Milliman's Michigan newspaper career began almost 60 years ago, selling ads and writing sports and news stories at his hometown newspaper in Coldwater.

His first newspaper purchase was in 1967 when he put together a small investing group to purchase *The Crawford County*

*Avalanche* from Bob and Eva Strong.

Included in that purchasing group were two long time Grayling residents and *Avalanche* employees -- the late Howard (Whitey) Madsen, who became editor and publisher, and Leroy Papendick, who became mechanical superintendent and was in charge of the job printing department.

In 1984, Milliman bought out the other investors and he and Donna Milliman became sole owners of the newspaper. Whitey Madsen and Leroy Papendick both continued with *The Avalanche* until their retirements.

Dirk Milliman, president of the new operating company, earned an associate's degree in printing from Ferris State University and bachelor's degree in journalism from Central Michigan University (CMU), where he is on the school's journalism advisory committee.

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Dick and Donna Milliman (seated left and center) signed over the ownership of *The Crawford County Avalanche* to their children, Dirk, Teresa and Ann Marie, last week. The next generation of Millimans also have taken over ownership of the daily *Three Rivers Commercial News* and weekly *Penny Saver* shopping guide. Three Rivers is located in southwest lower Michigan, near the Indiana state line.

## DARE to get help from local 'celebrity servers'

► Big Boy to donate 10 percent of sales, all tips to DARE, March 5

The management of Big Boy Restaurant in Grayling will host a special event next Wednesday evening, March 5, to raise money for the local DARE program.

DARE is an anti-drug, anti-alcohol, and anti-violence program presented each year to students in the Crawford AuSable School District, through the Crawford County Sheriff's Office.

The program is funded locally by donations from the communi-

ty, businesses, fund-raisers such as the annual golf outing, and a small amount of grant funding.

On March 5, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., several local "celebrities" will be serving customers and giving 100 percent of their tips to DARE. Big Boy will also be donating 10 percent of its sales earned during the three-hour period. Specials that evening will be T-Bone Steak for two at \$20 and the Seafood Dinner Buffet for \$11.95 per person.

Celebrity servers that evening will be Sheriff Kirk Wakefield, Undersheriff Shawn Kraycs, DARE Coordinator/Deputy Randy Herman, Elementary Liaison Officer Bill Bonkowski, Crawford County Avalanche

General Manager Linda Golnick, *Avalanche* reporter Cheryl Ruley, School Superintendent Milli Haug, School Board Member Jim Tobin, and Grayling Middle School Assistant Principal Jeff Branch.

Many of the servers worked at a Big Boy restaurant as teenagers, including Herman, Branch, Golnick and Ruley. Because it has been years since most of them have carried a tray or taken a food order, the celebrities will be receiving help from the Big Boy waitstaff and kids from the DARE program.

Come out and have your favorite "celebrity" wait on you and help raise money for a worthy program.

## Called to duty



Members of the 1438th receive instruction from CW2 Bruce Ward about their impending departure to serve overseas in Operation Enduring Freedom/Noble Eagle. State Senator Michelle McManus was on hand Monday at Camp Grayling to wish the troops good luck and ensure their families will be taken care of during their tour.

Soldiers of the 1438th Engineer Detachment based out of Camp Grayling have been preparing to deploy overseas and received a good luck send-off from state Senator Michelle McManus (R-Lake Leelanau) on Monday.

"There is no greater sacrifice an American can make than to fight for their country, and by speaking to the soldiers of the 1438th Engineer Detachment, I wish them the best of luck in their upcoming crusade," McManus said.

The senator said it was an honor and privilege to stand before the men and women of Camp Grayling and speak to

them prior to "the patriotic journey they are prepared to embark on."

The 1438th Engineer Detachment (Utility), 507th Engineer Battalion, Michigan Army National Guard stationed at Camp Grayling has received notification of a Presidential Call-Up in support of Operation Enduring Freedom/Noble Eagle.

The unit is mobilized at Camp Grayling and is preparing their equipment for departure. Their final destination has yet to be confirmed, but orders are expected to be updated within a week to 10 days.

"I am honored to take part in this event to send our soldiers off with our heartfelt sentiments to fight for our nation," McManus said. "These men and women are already our heroes, and we will be right here waiting for them when they return safely to Camp Grayling."

McManus' husband served in Operation Desert Storm as a member of the 182nd Transportation Company, giving her first-hand knowledge of the need to support the troops and their families once deployment activities begin and throughout the tour of duty.

## CITIZENS MARCH FOR PEACE



Photo by Susan Warrington

Fourteen protesters, carrying signs asking for peace, met at the Grayling city park the morning of February 22 to let their voices be heard regarding a possible war in Iraq led by the United States. As they marched back and forth along James Street in the wind and cold, the demonstrators heard from both supporters and detractors. The march was organized by two groups, the Peace and Justice Committee of St. Mary's Catholic Church and the Peace Without War Committee of Crawford County, a newly formed grass roots organization. The group also listened to speeches, sang and prayed for peace.

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# Supporting the troops brings honor

## Local woman receives 'Patriot Business Award'

"Stitches by Sue" owner, Sue Louchart, was recently honored with the American Patriot Business Award for 2003.

The "American Patriot Business Award" is presented each year to a community business leader who demonstrates unselfish commitment, faithful customer focus, and dedication to all the United States Armed Forces that have trained at Camp Grayling.

The 2003 award was presented to Sue Louchart owner of Stitches by Sue on February 13 at Camp Grayling Headquarters.

"Sue does an outstanding seamstress job on military uniforms. Many out-of-state soldiers mail their uniforms and patches to her even when they aren't scheduled to train at Camp Grayling, simply because of the quality of work she does," said Colonel Dennis D. Hull, Camp Grayling Commander.



Photo courtesy of Camp Grayling

Ken Louchart accompanies his wife, Sue, who owns and operates "Stitches by Sue," as Camp Grayling Camp Commander Col. Dennis Hull presents her with the American Patriot Business Award for 2003 at Camp Headquarters.

# Emergency Management Coordinator honored

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

Local 911 Central Dispatch Director and Emergency Management Coordinator, Larry Akers, was presented last week with a framed resolution passed by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, honoring a recent accomplishment.

Earlier this year, Akers was named the 7th District Coordinator of the Year for 2002 by the 16 other Emergency Management Coordinators in the 17-county district.

Lt. Mike Tilley, of the Michigan State Police Emergency Management Division, said, "I oversee 17 county emergency management programs and they could eliminate my job if all were as organized as Crawford County's."

In the past year alone, Akers has worked with the local hospital, district health department, law enforcement and emergency

responders to develop Bioterrorism planning within the county, in case of an emergency.

For many years, Akers has ensured the county's preparedness by conducting disaster exercises. The resolution states, in part, "Larry has excelled at bringing all the players in disaster response together to work on plans and reaction training... making sure Crawford County had disaster plans in place and people were aware of the plan..."

The presentation and reading of the resolution by County Chair Lynnette Corlew took place at the County Board of Commissioners February 19 regular meeting, acknowledging and applauding "the unseen service" Akers has delivered to the citizens of the county throughout the years.

Akers has been an employee of Crawford County for nearly 21 years and will continue to serve a dual role for the county.



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

Crawford County Board Chair Lynnette Corlew congratulates Central Dispatch Director and Emergency Management Coordinator Larry Akers for being named 7th District Coordinator of the Year for 2002.

# Jury convicts armed robber

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

It took jurors only about 30 minutes February 20 to return three guilty verdicts in the case of a local man accused of robbing a local gas station at gunpoint last fall.

Roger Bruce Matt, age 35 of Grayling, faced one count each of Armed Robbery, Possession of a Firearm during the Commission of a Felony, and Possession of a Firearm by a Felon as his case was presented last week before Judge Dennis F. Murphy in 46th Circuit Trial Court.

Matt was accused of robbing the Admiral gas station on the I-75 Business Loop in Grayling in the early morning hours of

September 3, 2002, fleeing on foot, then speeding away on a motorcycle he had hidden near the expressway.

Law enforcement caught up with him when he crashed the motorcycle near Sharon and Fletcher Roads in Kalkaska County.

Michigan State Police Troopers arrested Matt and found he was carrying two guns and a large amount of cash. Matt fit the description of the robbery suspect issued by Crawford County Dispatch immediately following report of the crime to the Grayling City Police.

Matt remains lodged in the Crawford County Jail awaiting an April 10 sentencing date. He could face life in prison.

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# Don't panic in an emergency – Prepare!

## ► Households, businesses should prepare kits, develop a plan

President George W. Bush raised the Homeland Security Advisory System threat level to High Condition -- Orange (meaning a high risk of terrorist attacks) on February 7. An emergency can occur quickly and without warning.

The Michigan State Police advise the most important thing you can do to keep yourself and your family safe from any emergency is to prepare, stay calm, and follow instructions from emergency personnel.

Michigan residents face emergencies every year -- from snowstorms, tornadoes, floods, forest fires, chemical spills and other occurrences. National security threats are also part of the risks that we face.

"You should be ready to be self-sufficient for at least three

days," said Capt. John Ort, Commander of the Emergency Management Division of the Michigan State Police.

"This may mean providing for your own shelter, first aid, food, water, and sanitation. Discuss with your family or household what you would do in the event of a disaster. Teach children how to respond to emergencies. Give them a sense of what to expect. It is encouraged that adults explain the dangers of fire, severe weather, power outages, or any type of disaster."

For years, many people living in earthquake-prone areas like California have prepared and keep fresh earthquake disaster kits because the natural disaster often leaves residents without electricity, natural gas and running water for various periods of time.

No matter where one resides, such a kit is a smart thing to have around because disasters happen all across our country.

The kit should contain: non-perishable high energy food that

requires little or no preparation; bottled water enough for three days; a flashlight with fresh batteries and an extra supply of batteries; emergency candles and at least one book of matches; a week's supply of any prescription medication needed by members of your household; a first aid kit; and a battery-operated radio and spare batteries to help keep you in touch with important news and announcements.

Other recommendations to consider when keeping your family prepared for an emergency:

- Develop a household disaster plan; have a meeting to discuss what family members will do. Plan to work together as a team.

- Have available a list of emergency contact telephone numbers, including fire, police, and local hospitals. Keep your cellular phone charged if possible.

- Be observant of any suspicious activity and report it to authorities. The very nature of terrorism suggests there may be little or no warning.

- Work together with your local school to ensure emergency procedures are in place.

- Apartment residents should discuss emergency procedures with their building managers.

- Talk to your neighbors to discuss how you can help each other in the event of a disaster.

The following web sites can provide additional information and resources:

Michigan Emergency Management Division at [www.mspemd.org](http://www.mspemd.org).

FEMA "Are You Ready?" at [www.fema.gov/areyouready/](http://www.fema.gov/areyouready/).

FEMA for Kids Guide to National Security Emergencies at [www.fema.gov/kids/nse/](http://www.fema.gov/kids/nse/).

Department of Homeland Security at [www.dhs.gov](http://www.dhs.gov).

American Red Cross at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org).

Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

Citizen's Corps at [www.citizenscorps.gov/ready/cc\\_pubs.shtml](http://www.citizenscorps.gov/ready/cc_pubs.shtml).

## Emergency preparedness planning continues

### ► President upgrades terrorist threat level to orange or 'High'

In an effort to inform several local agencies about emergency planning activities under way since October 2002, Mercy Hospital Grayling recently hosted local government officials and first responders at a videoconference meeting, broadcasted to 13 hospitals in northern Michigan and the House of Representatives in Lansing.

Michigan received grant fund-

ing from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Health Resources and Services Administration for the purpose of developing a bioterrorism protection plan for Michigan communities.

Michigan's bioterrorism preparedness plan has been designed to integrate with the existing state and local Emergency Management infrastructure. Northern Michigan is Michigan State Police Emergency Management District 7, which includes 18 counties, 13 hospitals, nine medical control authorities, and seven public health departments.

Each region has been assigned a Bioterrorism Coordinator, Medical Director, Epidemiologist, and National Pharmaceutical Stockpile Coordinator.

The planning has been a collective effort involving emergency medical services, hospitals, health departments, fire departments, police, Red Cross and other agencies engaged in homeland defense and emergency management activities.

The plan includes actions to strengthen county Emergency Management plans, develop disease surveillance systems, enhance communication between entities, and develop readiness capability such as hazardous material decontamination, training, and resource directory development. The smallpox response plan is also part of this initiative.

The Terrorist Threat Condition has been upgraded to Orange or a high threat level.

The public is encouraged to be alert to your surroundings, look for suspicious activities, particularly at or near critical facilities, and report suspicious activities to local law enforcement by calling 911.

All citizens need to organize emergency supply kits and discuss emergency plans with family members. Suggestions for family and business disaster kits can be accessed at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org).

Presentations to community groups can be scheduled by calling Crawford County Emergency Manager Larry Akers at 348-4911, Roscommon Emergency Manager John Bawol at 275-7911, or Mercy Hospital's Director of Emergency Services, Pattie Walker at 348-0355.

## Southard receives 2002 Huron Pines Award



Joe Kutkuhn (right) presented Steve Southard with the 2002 Huron Pines Award.

Steve Southard, an owner and manager of Ray's Canoeing and The Fly Factory in Grayling was the recipient of the 2002 Huron Pines Award. He was presented with a plaque during the Huron Pines Resource Conservation and Development Area Council Inc.'s Annual Meeting held at the Hillman Knights of Columbus hall February 1.

Southard was recognized for taking the initiative to make stormwater management a priority in the AuSable River Watershed and for his perseverance and tireless efforts to work with a broad coalition of partners. His work has been significant in raising funds for the City of Grayling stormwater campaign.

Huron Pines Resource Conservation Area Council, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that facilitates grassroots access to federal, state and private programs that promote economic viability through conservation, responsible stewardship,

and sustainable use of natural resources. With its office in Grayling, Huron Pines RC&D serves 11 counties in northeast Michigan (Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, and Roscommon).

The Huron Pines Award is given to the individual, organization, or project that most exemplifies the spirit of the RC&D program - cooperation built on partnerships.



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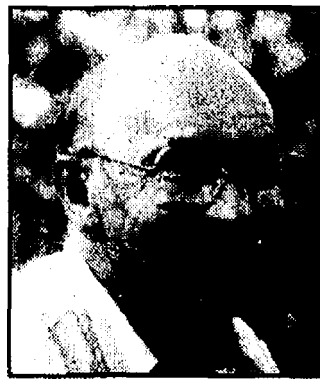
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## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

### Governor Granholm knows how to compromise

GOVERNOR JENNIFER GRANHOLM has indicated she knows when and how to compromise.

It's a skill she may have to call upon time and again during her first four-year term as governor.

So far her compromising abilities have only been exhibited publicly in a squabble within the Michigan Democratic party.

Shortly after her election in November, Ms. Granholm said she wanted a long time supporter, defeated secretary of state candidate Melvin (Butch) Hollowell, to head the state Democratic party.

Usually that's the prerogative of the party's candidate for governor in the latest election, when that candidate wins.

But it didn't happen this time. Mark Brewer has been

Democratic state chair for several years he wanted to keep the job.

So the stage was set for a classic standoff, with the incumbent Brewer -- whose main claim to recent fame is that he has presided over a diminished Democratic presence in elective state office -- and a new-broom fresh candidate in Mr. Hollowell, who was enticed to run for secretary of state by the new-broom fresh gubernatorial candidate Jennifer Granholm.

THE NEW GOVERNOR twice asked the old party chair to step aside, and each time Mr. Brewer said no.

But a public party-rending battle was not to be. Instead, at their recent state convention, Michigan Democrats created a

new position for Mr. Brewer.

Butch Hollowell was elected state Democratic chair all right, but Mark Brewer was elected executive Democratic state chair.

Mr. Hollowell will keep his daytime job in a big statewide law firm, and Mr. Brewer will keep his full time paid job running the nuts and bolts of the state party on a day to day basis -- which he has been doing for several years.

According to published reports, the Michigan UAW and former U.S. Representative David Bonior carried the load for Mr. Brewer, successfully bucking the new governor in her first test of strength with the old line party powers. Ms. Granholm, of course, defeated Mr. Bonior in a sometimes bitter Democratic primary last year, and besting the

UAW in the process.

"The irresistible governor met the immovable union, and the two-seat chairmanship was born," wrote Chris Christoff in *The Detroit Free Press*.

Reported *Detroit News* columnist Pete Waldmeir: "To avoid a bitter and divisive floor battle -- Granholm cut a Solomon-like deal under which each of the men got half of the baby."

WHAT HAPPENS now?

When a political party holds the governorship, the power of that party's chair usually diminishes rapidly. The chair usually is a mere water carrier for the governor.

The sitting governor usually runs the party from the governor's office, with the governor's staff and supporters doing much

of the nitty gritty of every day politics, in a very friendly arrangement.

That's the way long-serving Democrat G. Mennen Williams used to do things, and that's the way long-serving Republican John Engler operated, too.

With Mark Brewer as full time paid "executive chair," Governor Granholm may have to trim her sails even more.

She issued a statement that the new Hollowell-Brewer set up "speaks to inclusion, partnership and outreach."

Not really. What it speaks to is the notion that big labor won't give up its hold on the party's inner structure, and chooses to tolerate rather than embrace the new Democratic governor.

With Republicans holding power in both houses of the leg-

islature, the attorney general and secretary of state offices, and the state supreme court, Democrat Granholm likely will be forced to compromise her programs and her desires quite a bit.

With the structure of her party effectively in the hands of lukewarm friends -- if not entirely controlled by her political enemies -- she may have to compromise even more on the political front.

Jennifer Granholm may end up with nobody solidly in her corner except the people who elected her -- the majority of Michigan voters.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

# EDITOR

## Threat of war fracturing solid alliances

To the editor,

I ran across this the other day and thought it was well worth sharing. It's a part of a speech by U.S. Senator Robert Byrd on the present Bush administration (delivered on the Senate floor, February 12, 2003).

"To contemplate 'war' is to think about the most horrible of human experiences. On this February day, as this nation stands at the brink of battle, every American on some level must be contemplating the horrors of war.

"Yet, this Chamber is, for the most part, silent -- ominously, dreadfully silent. There is no debate, no discussion, no attempt to lay out for the nation the pros and cons of this particular war. There is nothing.

"We stand passively mute in the United States Senate, paralyzed by our own uncertainty, seemingly stunned by the sheer turmoil of events. Only on the editorial pages of our newspapers is there much substantive discussion of the prudence or imprudence of engaging in this particular war.

"And this is no small conflagration we contemplate. This is no simple attempt to de-fang a villain. No. This coming battle, if it materializes, represents a turning point in U.S. foreign policy and possibly a turning point in the recent history of the world.

"This nation is about to embark upon the first test of a revolutionary doctrine applied in an extraordinary way at an unfortunate time. The doctrine of preemption -- the idea that the United States or any other nation can legitimately attack a nation that is not imminently threatening but may be threatening in the future -- is a radical new twist on the traditional idea of self-defense.

"It appears to be in contravention of international law and the U.N. Charter. And it is being tested at a time of worldwide terrorism, making many countries around the globe wonder if they will soon be on our -- or some other nation's -- hit list.

"High level administration figures recently refused to take nuclear weapons off of the table when discussing a possible attack against Iraq. What could be more destabilizing and unwise than this type of uncertainty, particularly in a world where globalism has tied the vital economic and security interests of many nations so closely together?

"There are huge cracks emerging in our time-honored alliances, and U.S. intentions are suddenly subject to damaging worldwide speculation.

"Anti-Americanism based on mistrust, misinformation, suspicion, and alarming rhetoric

from U.S. leaders is fracturing the once solid alliance against global terrorism which existed after September 11."

It is still not too late to let our Representatives and President know what we think about a potential war. Violence begets violence. Our future rests in our voices of opposition to war.

• President George W. Bush, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20500; Comment line: (202) 456-1111; president@whitehouse.gov.

• Senator Carl Levin, 269 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-2202; phone (202) 224-6221; e-mail senator2@levin.senate.gov.

• Senator Debbie Stabenow, 702 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-2204; phone (202) 224-4822; e-mail senator@stabenow.senate.gov.

• Rep. Bart Stupak, 2352 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515-2201; phone (202) 225-4735; e-mail stupak@mail.house.gov.

Mary Beth Brady  
Member, Peace Without War  
Committee of Crawford  
County  
Grayling

## Case for war not proven

To the editor,

The drums of armed conflict sound louder and faster with each passing hour. America's greatest treasure, its youth, is leaving behind tearful spouses, children, friends and family. They leave with their powerful weapons for killing, maiming and wounding fellow human beings because their government has told them in the mistaken belief that this action will rid the world of terrorism and anti-social behavior.

Along with their weapons, vehicles and aircraft with guided missiles the Pentagon will also be sending the infamous body bags which will possibly be used for some of our brave service men and women because no matter how powerful America is militarily, surely as the sun rises, some of our brave people will needlessly die and also untold numbers of Iraqi civilians, possibly including women and children, in an armed conflict for the disposing of a despot of a country which contains an abundant supply of black gold -- oil.

In Desert Storm, America suffered 766 casualties which included 300 deaths in a 100 hour war. How many lives will be lost if this war continues for a protracted time? In this upcoming conflict with Iraq, our political leaders are proposing to destroy an existing government in a foreign country and occupy this country until a new government can be formed which will be friendly to America and sell us a much oil as we need.

The media has reported that Arab terrorist groups have

vowed more attacks on American soil if we attack Iraq. Has Washington turned a deaf ear to these possible attacks against our people and our institutions? I have read that the terrorists have said that the Twin Towers was a Sunday picnic in comparison to future attacks. Are we to trust our leaders to protect us against these attacks? Homeland security cannot protect every situation.

Our military is confident they will prevail in this conflict but according to a weekly news magazine (*U.S. News and World Report*) there are six deadly fears that might have to be confronted: (1) Iraq unleashes its suspected chemical and biological weapons on our troops; (2) Saddam makes a last stand in Baghdad causing house to house fighting; (3) Iraq's oil fields are blown up; (4) Saddam places human shields in harms way; (5) Iraq gives its suspected weapons of mass destruction to terrorist groups; (6) Iraq descends into chaos which could cause America to occupy Iraq for years to come. This amounts to nothing more than Imperialism. This is what Israel has been doing in the West Bank, Gaza strip and Golan Heights since 1967 with no end in sight.

In my opinion, armed conflict is not an answer in this situation which may destabilize the whole Mid-East region. Let the U.N. inspectors do their job of inspecting for these suspected weapons. How many innocent lives will be lost? The war weary world is tired of war and only wants peace.

Unrest in the Middle East has already started. U.S. troops are already in Northern Iraq and Iran has dispatched troops there also. The U.N. inspectors must be given any amount of time to do the necessary inspections so war and death can be avoided.

If we go to war are we in violation of international law and the U.N.? If America is attacked we have a right to defend ourselves. If America attacks Iraq does not Iraq have the same right to defend itself? Which country will be next to be invaded? North Korea, Iran, or possible Cuba in the name of ridding the world of terrorism?

World opinion is against us. On the weekend of February 15 and 16 millions of people the world over participated in an anti-war march. Our President has said he does not base his decision to go to war on the popular peace movement world wide. The Vatican has publicly stated that this incursion into Iraq is an unjust war.

George Bush has not proven to many people in this country that armed conflict is necessary at this time. Iraq poses no immediate threat to the United States at the present time.

To disapprove of war against Iraq is not being unpatriotic. I am not against America or for Iraq but for world peace. Our right to free speech and objection to government policy is what makes this country great. Let's keep it that way!

Dennis Meyers  
Grayling

## We must speak for ourselves

To the editor,

It is estimated by our Defense Department, according to a recent news report I heard on Public Radio, that 3,000 innocent Iraqi citizens and maybe thousands more may be killed by our bombs and missiles if we go to war in Iraq. The report stated that 15 percent of our bombs will not hit the targets for which they were intended. It was explained that, "we just don't have the technical capacity to be 100 percent accurate."

Never in our history as a nation has it been our foreign policy to

preemptively cause that kind of mass killing. And then, if the initial bombing doesn't get the job done, our troops will go in on the ground and be in such harm's way. These are our mothers and daughters, fathers and sons, granddaughters and grandsons who may have their lives snuffed away, leaving families and a nation full of overwhelming grief again. How can it be that our great nation can even be thinking of committing such a humanitarian disaster? It is unconscionable!

That is just one of the reasons

that I, along with millions of others in our country and the world are protesting the threat of war by any peaceful means that we can think of, including protest marches which are taking place every week -- everywhere. If our politicians will not speak for the people then we, the people, will have to speak for ourselves.

God bless our country - God bless our troops - and God help America to be a blessing to God and the world.

Barbara Soule  
Grayling

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## Almost Home

In cloudless skies of brilliant blue,  
The shuttle finally came in view.  
Its mission finished - home in sight,  
The nation watched the ending flight.

The stage was set, each detail planned  
For Astronauts about to land.  
We watched the shuttle's path in awe,  
So unprepared for what we saw.

Sudden disaster in the sky -  
A glowing object streaking by -  
Its vapor trail filled with debris,  
The craft was doomed, it was plain to see.

It dropped abruptly from afar,  
While blazing like a falling star.  
It plunged to earth, we saw it all -  
The shuttle's death - the final fall.

All seven souls were lost in space,  
They vanished - gone without a trace.  
That precious cargo of the craft,  
Courageous crew - the shuttle's staff.

God's watched with pride, in every case,  
Man's exploration trials in space.  
He took the crew before the crash,  
They're safe with him - and home at last...

Joan Dickerson-Peters  
February 10, 2003



# BRIEFS

## Good supply of flu vaccine on hand

District Health Department #10 officials state Michigan is currently experiencing an increase in influenza illness and would like the public to know there remains a good supply of influenza vaccine available in the community. Officials advise citizens call their medical provider or the local Health Department office, at 348-7800, for more information. Signs of influenza illness are: high fever, altered mental status, unusual neck soreness or stiffness, sudden severe and persistent headaches. If children develop such severe illness, they should be taken in for immediate medical evaluation.

## Sen. Stamas to hold office hours

State Senator Tony Stamas (R-Midland) will be holding office hours on February 28, from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, at the Ogemaw County Building - Conference Room A, (806 West Houghton Avenue in West Branch) to give the public an opportunity to express their opinions or who need assistance with a state issue. Sen. Stamas plans to hold office hours throughout the 36th District which includes Alcona, Alpena, Crawford, Gladwin, Iosco, Midland, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, and Otsego counties.

## Boy Scouts plan spaghetti dinner

Boy Scout Troop 995 will hold a spaghetti dinner fund-raiser this Friday, February 28 at the Grayling Eagles (on Huron Street in Grayling) from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost for the all-you-can-eat dinner is \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children ages five to 12 years, and \$20 for families up to six. Children under age five eat free. Troop 995 is a new troop in Grayling, chartered by Airway Automation and run by Scoutmaster Jim Pickell.

## Church offers Vacation Bible School

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, located at 400 Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will host a winter Vacation Bible School at the church for three consecutive Saturdays, March 1, 8, and 15 from 9 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. for all children ages preschool through 6th grade. The theme is "Treasure Hunt." For more details, call the church office at 348-2974.

## MENSA to hold admission testing

Mensa Admissions Tests (High I.Q.) will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 1 at Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City in the Beckett Building, Room 148. Cost is \$30; call (231) 275-6735 to pre-register.

## Church plans all-you-can-eat lunch

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, located at 400 Michigan Avenue in Grayling, invites everyone to a luncheon of hot and/or cold foods on Thursday, March 6, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Make your own sandwich, etc. Salad and dessert are included. Take-outs will be available. Cost is \$5 per person.

## Eastern Star to hold regular meeting

Grayling Chapter #83 Order of Eastern Star (OES) will be holding its stated meeting on Wednesday, March 5 at 7:30 p.m.

## Church plans Shrove Tuesday supper

St. Francis Episcopal Church, located on M-72 West in Grayling, will be sponsoring its Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, March 4, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., with menu featuring plain, blueberry, and potato pancakes with sour cream and smoked sausages. A donation is requested and 10 percent of all proceeds will be given to outreach.

## Retired state employees to meet

The regular meeting of North Central Area Chapter #19, State Employee Retirees Association, will be held beginning at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4 at the Houghton Lake Community Building. All retired state employees and their spouses are encouraged to attend.

## Kick-off planned for Relay for Life

The Kick-Off Breakfast for the Crawford County Relay for Life is scheduled for Thursday, March 6 at 7:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn in Grayling. Anyone interested in being part of this year's Relay for Life is encouraged to attend.

## Central Avenue featured at next dessert concert

The Crawford AuSable Arts Community Cultural Events Program will present "Central Avenue," with Dr. David Gillingham, in the latest of a series of the 2002-2003 Special Performances this Thursday, February 27.

The event, to be performed in the Evergreen Room at the Grayling Holiday Inn, is considered a "dessert concert," complete with a coffee break of homemade cookies, brownies, soft drinks, coffee and tea.

Doors open at 6:45 p.m., with the performance to begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 each, \$10 for students and senior citizens, and are available at the Crawford AuSable School's Central Office located at 403 Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

For more information, call (989) 348-7146.

This event is made possible by a partnership with area businesses and corporations, and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, a partner of the National Endowment for the

# Three local blood drives scheduled

## ► March is American Red Cross month; donors needed

March is American Red Cross month and is celebrated nationally. Three blood drives are scheduled March 4-6 in Crawford County.

The blood donors in Crawford County turned out in large numbers for the January 8 Grayling Community Blood Drive held at the American Legion Hall and sponsored by M.A.T.E.S. Over 80 units of blood were collected. The Red Cross appreciates the understanding conveyed from those who could not be processed at the January 8 drive.

Using Component Therapy, each unit was manufactured into three life-saving blood products for hospital patients.

The following people donated for the first time on January 8: Angela Barnes, Timothy Conley, Edward Duncan, Janet Gooch, Howard Hayes, Charles Puzjak, Janis Smith and Cecilia Southard.

Gallons pins were also issued:

One Gallon - Penny Alimenti, Ronald Herron and Bonnie Hogston; Four Gallons - Kathleen Baker; Six Gallons - James Lawless; Seven Gallons - Ralph Good and Linda Harrison; Eight Gallons - Michael Wargo; and 13 Gallons - Joseph Rozenek.

The Crawford County American Red Cross Blood Drives will be held:

• Tuesday, March 4 at Hard Bodyz Sports Center, from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.;

• Wednesday, March 5 at Grayling High School, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.; and

• Thursday, March 6 at Frederic Elementary School, from 12 noon to 5:45 p.m.

All are welcome to roll up their sleeves and donate -- students, senior citizens and adults. Donors must be at least 17 years of age and weigh at least 110 pounds. Type "O" blood is especially in demand. Nurses will be available to answer any questions.

For more information about the local drives, call 348-2821 or contact the American Red Cross at 1-800-GIVE LIFE, ext. 210.

# Local history buffs invited to meeting

The Wellington Farm Folk extends an open invitation to anyone interested in local history, agricultural history or the Great Depression to attend their next meeting.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, March 4 at the Lone Pine Restaurant in Grayling, beginning with a traditional family supper at 6 p.m., followed by the business meeting and entertainment and/or education.

A presentation will be made in an effort to entice farmers to come to Crawford County. Much of the business portion of the meeting will be dedicated to the establishment of interpretive teams which will operate the living history farm during the 2003 season.

Wellington Farm Park is a 60-acre open-air museum located on Military Road near Grayling. It depicts life on a typical northern Michigan farmstead during the

Great Depression.

The complex contains eight major buildings and many smaller structures and displays. During the 2003 season, the park will be open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday beginning June 13. The complex is operated by interested individuals who volunteer their time to act as guides, interpreters and workers.

Anyone interested in knowing more about Wellington Farm Park or possibly becoming a volunteer should plan to attend the March 4 meeting. Those who plan to attend are asked to call the Lone Pine and make reservations.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

Grayling Youth Booster Club

Week ending February 23 - \$25 each: Sharon Johnson, Arby Pepsin, Bill Golnick, Betty Hawley, David Brannan, Sandy Thompson.

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# The Bible Speaks

## Snake Creates Chaos

Recently I read a report about a huge snake that slithered into a church in Uganda. The snake silently coiled around the leg of the chair where the minister was kneeling in prayer. The congregation sat with their eyes closed praying but fled the church in disarray when their eyes were opened. The minister frantically tried to convince the frightened Christians to remain calm by assuring them this was possibly God's power being revealed in the form of a snake. Finally, he dropped his Bible and fled as the flat headed snake slowly uncoiled and moved toward him. Many in the congregation laughed afterwards and commented that "sometimes we are blinded by our religious beliefs which can easily put us in trouble."

The Ugandan pastor should have known from the Bible that Satan first tempted Eve in the Garden of Eden in the form of a serpent. His first question was, "Yea, hath God said?" Eve should have replied "Yea, God hath said!" But Eve was deceived, convinced her husband Adam and they both sinned by rejecting God's Word and believing Satan's lie. They allowed Satan to twist God's words into his lie.

Our column, "The Bible Speaks from Calvary Baptist Church" has tried to apply God's truth to contemporary world issues. We believe God's truth when spoken with heart conviction can give faith and hope to others. God's word is always logical,

consistent and coherent to believing hearts and minds.

We live in the last days before the return of Jesus Christ. While promising God will answer the prayers of His saints, He raised a serious question in Luke 18:8b: "Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" While faith comes from believing God's word, (Romans 10:17) the last days will end with the world still ignorant of God's word. Bible prophecy reminds us also that a global antichrist and false prophet will one-day rule the world. God warned His people in Amos 8:11: "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD"

Today, Satan is entering churches while many people still have their eyes closed. The Bible God gave them is being corrupted and perverted. Ministers are trying to convince them to stay in their churches by ascribing the work and power of Satan to God. They are being encouraged to support the National and World Council of Churches which have a history of being both anti-Christian and anti-American. Ministers still believe they are promoting God's work, even as the serpent is uncoiling and moving toward them. No wonder many people have been abandoning organized religion and churches. They sense the danger, but they don't know who to trust or

where to go. As Jesus said, they are like sheep without a shepherd.

I have warned Christians for 31 years, "don't put your trust in me, or any other preacher, trust only in God and His Word for your final authority. If the Holy Spirit does not guide you through His Holy Scriptures to affirm the message of any preacher, reject it! As Paul said in Acts 17:11, even the most noble Christians who received his message also "searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so." As Jesus said in Matt. 10:16b: "be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves." Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Website at <http://www.i2k.net/cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday.

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## MILITARY NEWS



Col. Dennis D. Hull and Lt. Col. David R. Wesoloski

Lt. Col. David R. Wesoloski of Grayling, a member of Maneuver Training Center, Michigan Army National Guard, was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal by Col. Dennis Hull, Camp Commander.

Wesoloski was recognized for outstanding meritorious service as Commander, 107th Engineer Battalion (mechanized). Lt. Col. Wesoloski's exceptional leadership brought the desired results in readiness that serves as a medal for all battalions to follow.

His development of improved staff coordination and operations has been evidenced by his selection for a tour of duty to Latvia. Lt. Col. Wesoloski's superb organizational skills, great initiative, and total dedication to duty reflect great credit on him, the Michigan Army National Guard, and the United Army.

Wesoloski has been a member of Maneuver Training Center. He is a full time employee at Camp Grayling. He assigned as the Director of Logistics.

Patrick L. Lamie has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force after graduating from Officer Training School (OTS) at Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Alabama.

At OTS, cadets undergo a demanding 12-week course that trains them to be top quality Air Force officers through an extensive curriculum comprised of classroom work, lectures, and exercises to develop leadership, team building, and officer skills. Cadets receive instruction in military training and application, professional knowledge, human behavior, defense studies, leadership studies and management, communication skills, physical fitness, and field training exercises.

Lamie is a navigator trainee assigned to the Pensacola Naval Air Station, Florida.

He is the son of Thomas F. and Julie M. Lamie of Grayling.

The lieutenant graduated in 2001 from Sacred Heart Major Seminary, Detroit.

The Crawford County Avalanche encourages all service members in all branches of the military to name our newspaper as your hometown paper with your Public Affairs Officer.

## Is There Room Enough for Me?

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Perhaps you have shied away from God as well, thinking you are not "good enough". God is good enough to love each of us in spite of our humanity. However, you must trust Him. Could it be you have never known your Heavenly Father? Worship this Sabbath. You will be included as one of God's children. You can learn how to take that confidence everywhere you go. You are special. You are God's creation. There is room enough for you in His heart and in His House. In Isaiah 49:20, the Lord says, "Make room for me to dwell."

**SUNDAY**  
Psalm 25

**MONDAY**  
Psalm 36

**TUESDAY**  
Psalm 136

**WEDNESDAY**  
Psalm 138

**THURSDAY**  
Isaiah 54:1-17

**FRIDAY**  
Jeremiah 31:1-14

**SATURDAY**  
Luke 18:1-14

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Sunday Service.....10:30 am  
April through October  
2nd & 4th Wednesday.....7 pm  
Sunday School.....10:30 am

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Pastor Jeffrey Jaggers  
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974  
Website: [www.mm-umc.org](http://www.mm-umc.org)  
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Sunday Worship.....8:30 & 11 am  
Sunday School - Sept. - May  
Adult Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School.....11 am  
(Childcare Available during 11:00 service)  
Bible Study (Wed).....10:30am

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor Jeff Arthur  
Phone 989-275-1061  
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East  
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)  
Church Service.....9:30 am  
Saturday.....9:30 am  
Sabbath School.....10:30 am  
Prayer Meeting.....7 pm

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Sunday School.....10 am  
Chapel Service.....11 am  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting.....7-8 pm

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Daniel Baldermann-Associate Pastor  
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or 348-5362  
Early Service.....8:30 am  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Service.....11 am  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

**Emma Lowery United Church Of Christ**  
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Adult and Youth Sunday School.....9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.  
1/4 mile west of I-75  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday.....7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor  
701 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Church 348-8885  
Parsonage 348-2588  
Sunday School.....9:30 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday - Family Night  
Adult-Youth-Children.....7 pm

**The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message**  
Pastor Paul Rolfe  
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic  
Sunday Worship.....10 am & 7 pm  
Wed. Prayer Service.....7 pm

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**  
President David Page  
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord  
Sacrament.....10 am  
Sunday School.....11 am  
Primary.....11 am  
Priesthood.....12 noon  
Relief Society.....12 noon

**Burning Bush Tabernacle**  
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278  
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Service & Children's Church.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Service.....6 pm  
Monday Prayer Meeting.....7 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. John Lutheran (ELCA)**  
Appointed Pastor Victor Slayman  
710 Spruce Street  
348-5224  
Sunday School.....9:15 am  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

**Community of Christ**  
Pastor Carol Stephan  
North Down River Rd. at 1030 Glenn Rd. • P.O. Box 1188  
Church School.....9:45 am  
Preaching.....11 am  
Midweek Service Prayer.....7 pm

**Friendship Church**  
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Rev. Dick Ober, Pastor  
415 Ohio Street, Gaylord  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Tue. Women's Bible Study.....10 am  
Wed. Men's Bible Study.....12 noon

**St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community**  
Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor  
700-708 Peninsular - 348-7657  
**Sabbath Eucharist**  
Saturday Vigil Mass.....6 pm  
Sunday Masses.....8:00 am  
Family Mass.....10:00 am  
Scripture Study (Sundays).....9:15 am  
Daily Masses.....8:30 am  
Wednesday & Fridays.....8:30 am

**First Baptist Church of Frederic**  
Pastor Dale Hammond  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study.....7 pm

**St. Francis Episcopal**  
M-72 West  
Office 348-5850  
Sunday Holy Eucharist.....8:30 & 10:30 am

**Resurrection Life Church**  
Pastor Jimmie McWaters  
Grayling Days Inn Conference Room  
Sunday Service.....10:30 am  
Phone: 231-536-7933, Fax: 231-536-3046  
Wednesday.....7 pm  
(call or e-mail for directions)  
Website: [www.rlcnow.com](http://www.rlcnow.com)  
E-mail: [pastorjim@rlcnow.com](mailto:pastorjim@rlcnow.com)

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor  
M-72 West  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....10:30 am  
Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Mid-Week Services  
Wednesday.....7 pm  
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) 7 pm

**Church of Christ**  
Scott Hoffer, Pastor  
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd.  
275-8613  
In Search of the Lord's Way  
TV 29 & 8.....9 am  
Sunday Classes.....10 am  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening.....6 pm  
1st Sunday Evening of every month there is no service.  
Wednesday Mid-Week Bible Study.....7 pm

**Abundant Life Tabernacle**  
Pastor Lyle Studer  
211 Shellenbarger St.  
348-5325  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Worship.....11 am & 6:00 pm  
Wednesday Evening.....7 pm

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
Affiliated with S.B.C.  
Pastor Terry Colby  
705 Madsen St. • Grayling  
348-2557  
Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Morning Worship.....11 am  
Evening Service.....6 pm  
Wednesday Service.....7 pm

**Bear Lake Christian**  
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.  
Sunday School.....9 am  
Sunday Service.....10 am

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Durfee  
2247 Durfee Lane  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Sunday Morning Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship.....6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

**Harvest Time Church of God**  
Pastor Fred Coates  
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska  
(231) 258-3448  
Sunday School.....10 am  
Worship Service.....11 am & 6 pm  
Family Training Hour and Prayer Wednesday.....7 pm

**Mt. Hope Evangelical Lutheran-Missouri Synod**  
Pastor - Rev. Steven Thiel  
905 N. I-75 Bus. Lp.  
348-5921  
Wed. Morning Bible Study.....9:30 am  
Saturday Worship.....5:00 pm  
Sunday Worship.....10:30 am

**Unity Church of Today North**  
Terry Dickinson, Minister  
Forbush Corners, Frederic  
Call D. Storing (989) 732-6364  
Sunday Services.....9:00 am

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## Avalanche changes hands, kept in the family

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He is a past president of the Michigan Press Association (MPA), and continues as MPA's legislative chair. He also is past president of the Michigan League of Home Dailies, a group of smaller daily newspapers in the state.

Dirk continues as Editor and Publisher of *The Three Rivers Commercial News*, and also has been operating the family's weeklies in Albion and Marshall. He formerly worked at *The Grand Rapids Press* and newspapers in Grand Ledge, Howell and East Lansing.

His wife, Penny, also worked at *The Grand Rapids Press* and in the family newspapers. She founded and now operates Fabermill Designs, specializing in children's and family photography. They have two children.

Teresa Milliman Fitzwater is

vice president and secretary of the company. She studied at Cambridge University in England and has a journalism degree from CMU.

After college, Teresa spent several years with Itek Computer Systems where she traveled throughout the United States to instruct employees how to use new Itek computer typesetting systems.

She worked two years as an editor for McGraw Hill-Datapro Division in New Jersey, and as assistant publisher of a weekly in Cherry Hill, NJ. While living in Boulder, CO, she was a competitive analyst for NBI computer company.

Teresa began her newspaper career in the billing department at the *Grand Ledge Independent* (a family newspaper), and has worked as a bookkeeper, reporter, composition director,

editor, general manager and publisher at newspapers in Rogers City, Marshall, Albion and East Lansing.

She has four teen-aged children.

Ann Marie Milliman is vice president and treasurer of the new company. She earned bachelor and master's degrees in English at Michigan State University.

She has helped run the family business since 1982, and worked as a reporter in Three Rivers. She met her husband, Mike Epstein, while they both worked as reporters on the *Three Rivers* news staff.

Ann Marie has been publisher of *The Avalanche* since Whitey Madsen retired. Mike Epstein is a high school teacher. They have three children.

Late last week, Richard and Donna Milliman sold their two

other Michigan newspaper properties:

*The Albion Recorder* and *The Penny Saver* were purchased by Bettie Watson, owner of Salesman Publications in Jackson.

*The Marshall Chronicle* was purchased by J-Ad Corporation, a family publishing company owned by the Jacobs family and based in Hastings.

Both Richard and Donna Milliman will remain on the board of directors of the Three Rivers and Grayling newspaper companies, offering advice and counsel to the new owners. He intends to continue to write, his popular, weekly column, *The Almanack*.

But for the first time since they acquired *The Avalanche* in 1967, they will have no ownership interests or responsibilities in any newspaper.

## So you'd like to run for the school board?

The 2003 Candidates Guide to School Board Elections published by the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB) has some tips for anyone wishing to run for a school board position.

Some of the questions asked about becoming a school board member include: "Are you willing to take the time to study current education issues with the same effort and interest you exert in your own business or personal affairs? Are you ready to fight the uphill battle to improve education for our youth with dwindling resources and escalating costs? When voting on the issues, are you always willing to put learning first and give priority to what's best for children?"

Prospective board members should have answered yes to these questions and several others in the booklet.

Among the qualities listed to become a good board member are: The ability to rely on facts, be open-minded, respect others ideas, suggestions and criticisms, be able to accept the will of the majority, and show courage in thought and action to safeguard good schools for all children.

The booklet also states that to render educational leadership, the board member will have to do a lot of "homework."

For more information or to purchase a copy of the Candidates Guide contact the MASB at 1-800-968-4627 or on the web at info@masb.org

## State ratings of CASD due in March

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

The state's new accreditation system, *Education YRS!* will issue each building in each school district a letter grade. Previously, this grade was determined strictly by the results of MEAP testing.

Using the new system, 2/3 of the score is earned by MEAP results and 1/3 by the self evaluation each building must do in eleven criteria.

The staff in each building must evaluate and document progress in curriculum alignment, continuous improvement, performance management systems, teacher quality and professional development, arts education and humanities for all students, extended learning opportunities, family involvement, student attendance

and dropout rate, four-year education and employment plan, and school facilities.

The school district expects to receive the grade for each building in March.

## Local School Board will change in June

The terms of Gary Pettyjohn and Melvin Nunn expire at the end of this school year. Nunn will not seek reelection.

Applications for the two School Board positions must be filed no later than Monday, April 7 at 4 p.m. in the District Central Office Building.

Nominating petitions may be picked up at the Central Office, 403 E. Michigan Avenue. As a result of Public

Act 157 of 2002, board of education candidates now have the option of paying a nonrefundable filing fee of \$100 at the Central office, 403 E. Michigan Avenue, instead of filing a nominating petition. The payment has the same deadline as the nominating petition.

The election is set for Monday, June 9.

The last day to register to vote in the June election is Monday, May 12.

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Leaves Grayling	9:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	11:30 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	3:30 p.m.
Leaves Grayling	5:00 p.m.

**LOVELLS**

Leaves Grayling	9:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	11:30 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	3:30 p.m.
Leaves Grayling	5:00 p.m.

**M-72 EAST**

Leaves Grayling	6:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	7:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	9:00 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	11:30 a.m.
Leaves Grayling	1:30 p.m.
Leaves Grayling	3:30 p.m.
Leaves Grayling	5:00 p.m.

**M-72 WEST**

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To Request Weekday Demand Response Services  
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**SCHEDULED FOR March 2003**

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Date: Wednesday, March 12, 2003  
Destination: Victories Casino - Petoskey  
Departs Grayling: 8:30 a.m.  
Arrives Back In Grayling: 4:00 p.m. (Approximately)

\*\*Special Event Trips Require: (1) a minimum of twenty-two passengers; and (2) that passengers less than 18 years of age be accompanied by a responsible adult.

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• Also Sat & Sun at 2:00 & 4:15

**How to Lose a Guy in Ten Days - PG-13 (110)**  
Starring - Matthew McConaughey & Kate Hudson  
• At 7:00 & 9:15 Nightly  
• Also Sat & Sun 2:00 & 4:15

**Jungle Book 2 - G**  
Voices - John Goodman & Haley Joel Osment  
• At 7:00 & 9:00 Nightly  
• Also Sat & Sun 2:00 & 4:00

**Shanghai Knights - PG-13 (110)**  
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• Also Sat & Sun 2:00 & 4:15

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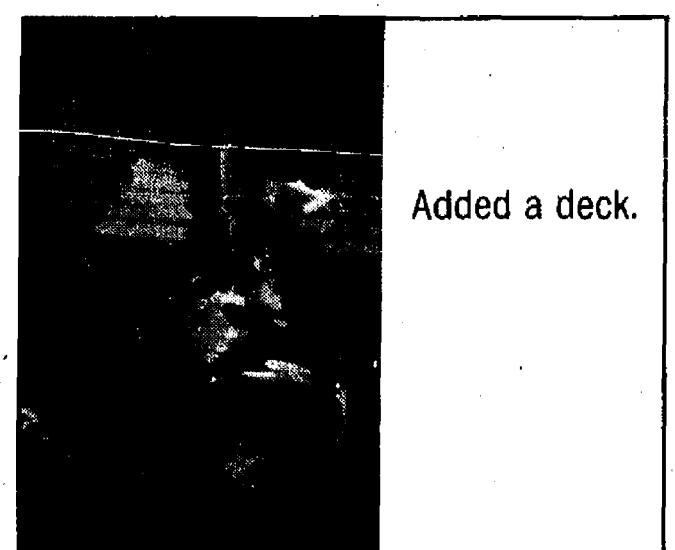
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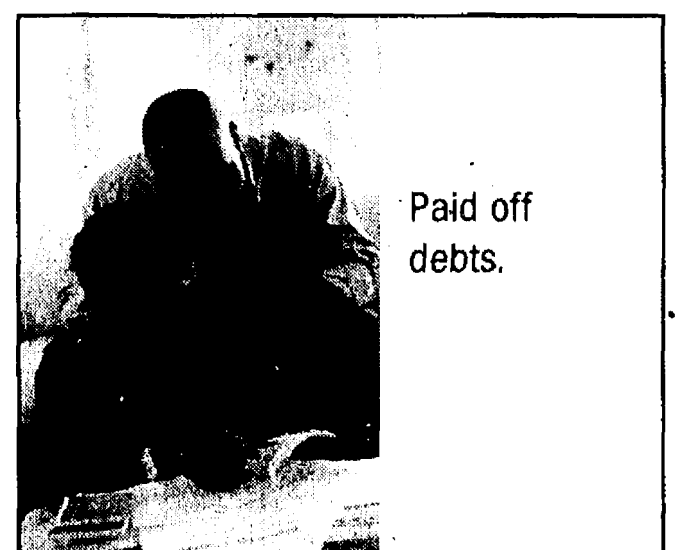
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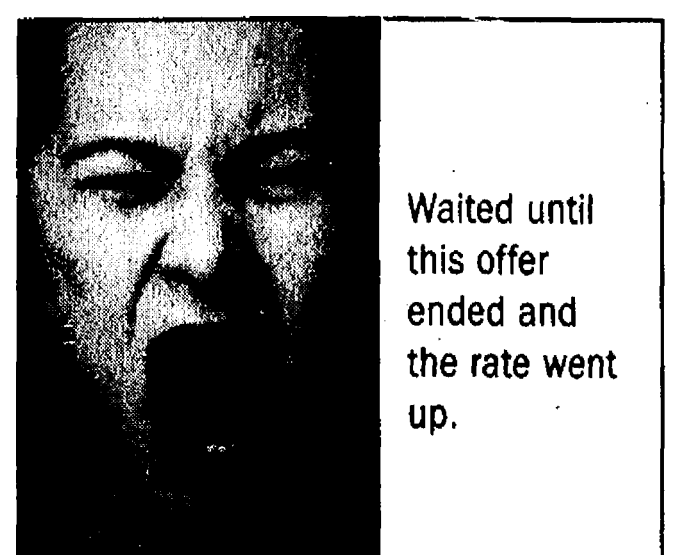
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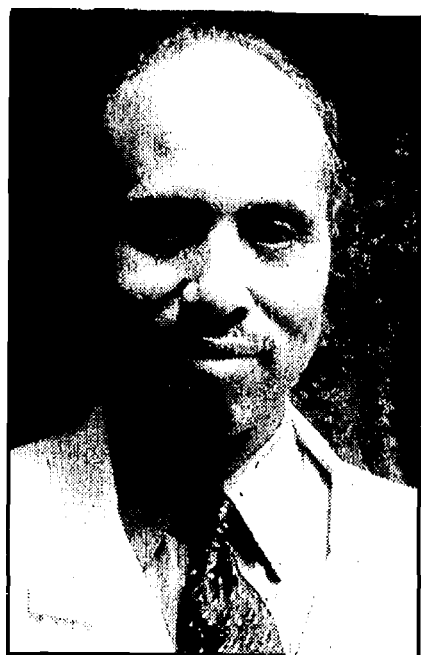
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## Hospital welcomes new Emergency physician



Artee Hammond, Jr., M.D.

Dr. Artee Hammond, Jr., M.D., has joined the Emergency Medicine Department of Otsego Memorial Hospital.

"My goal is to offer empathetic, courteous, conscientious care while still providing the best in medical care," said Dr. Hammond.

Dr. Hammond has been practicing medicine for more than 20 years. He completed his undergraduate work at Princeton University and graduated from medical school at the University of Illinois Medical Center. Dr. Hammond is Board Certified by the National Board of Medical

Examiners and the American Board of Internal Medicine.

"I enjoy working with a variety of patients and conditions," said Dr. Hammond. "The Emergency Department gives me the chance to do so while allowing me an opportunity to use a wide range of skills."

Dr. Hammond sees a wide variety of patients and injuries while working in the Emergency Department. "I enjoy interacting with people in such a way as to assist them with living a healthy lifestyle," said Dr. Hammond. "The Emergency Department allows me this opportunity, while

allowing me to medically intervene when needed."

The Otsego Memorial Hospital Emergency Department is located at 825 N. Center Ave. The Emergency Department at Otsego Memorial Hospital is physician-staffed 24 hours a day. The department treats more than 12,000 patients each year who are critically ill or injured.

## Quit smoking with Kirtland cessation program

Want to quit smoking? Need a little help? Kirtland Community College and the West Branch Regional Medical Center are teaming up to help smokers successfully kick the habit.

The program begins with a no-strings orientation meeting on March 12 at 12 noon in the back of the cafeteria in the Student Center. Those who decide to join the group will meet at the same place weekly each Wednesday from 12 noon to 1 p.m. beginning March 26 and ending May 7.

Cost for program materials is \$45 and those who successfully complete the program qualify for a \$10 refund, according to Karen Brown, associate dean.

To reserve a place at the orientation meeting, and for more information about the program, phone (989) 274-5000, ext. 298.

## Foundation offers healthcare scholarships

The Otsego Memorial Hospital Foundation has allocated \$3,000 for healthcare scholarships in 2003.

"The OMH Foundation scholarship program was developed to accomplish two goals," said Foundation Director, Deborah Allen. "First to enable the Foundation to provide valuable assistance to the families and

youth of our community, and Secondly, it perpetuates career interest in the healthcare industry."

The scholarships are open to students of all ages who reside in the Hospital's service area. To qualify for the Foundation Scholarship, an individual must meet the scholarship criteria and be accepted as a full time student

in a healthcare field of study, at an accredited Michigan college or university.

The official OMH Foundation Scholarship Applications must be received by the OMH Foundation Office no later than March 30, 2003, and can be obtained from area high school guidance offices, or directly from the OMH Foundation Office.

The Foundation's Scholarship Committee reviews the applications and makes their recommendation to the Foundation's Board of Trustees in April. The Foundation will be awarding one \$1,000 Scholarship, and up to \$2,000 in additional scholarship support.

For more information, or to request a 2003 Otsego Memorial Hospital Foundation Scholarship Application contact Deborah Allen, OMH Foundation Director, at (989) 731-2342.

## Unmet adult needs handled with C.A.R.E.

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

C.A.R.E. (Crawford Adult Resource Exchange) is dedicated to having a safe community with coordinated and constant resources for adults with unmet needs.

The group meets monthly and is composed of representatives from agencies working with the adult population. Working to create a network of resources and contacts C.A.R.E. informs and assists adults while preserving the individual's confidentiality.

One of the ways C.A.R.E. is trying to let everyone know about the resources available is

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## Bakery celebrates 25 years in current location



Loren Goodale Jr. with his son Loren III and daughter Linda at their newest addition to the delicatessen featuring several hot entrees each day.

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

In August 1971, Goodale's Bakery opened on Norway Street, just west of their current location. The original building had room for only a 12-foot long sales area, with coffee to go. The rest of the space was taken up with baking and storage areas.

In early 1978, the bakery moved to its current location at 500 Norway Street and set up five small tables for those who wanted to enjoy the bakery aroma and friendly atmosphere while they ate their goodies.

The owners are always looking at new ideas and every few years they add something to their offerings to the public.

In the mid-1980s, they began offering Kowalski brand meats

for sale and soon their customers asked them to make sandwiches with their fresh homemade bread, beginning their venture into the delicatessen business.

In 1991, the Goodales started offering two soups daily and gradually increased their offerings to five soups each day.

The family started offering the newest addition to the delicatessen menu at the beginning of February, featuring six hot entrees, which change daily, plus a few side dishes. The entrees are available from about 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The bakery is open from Monday through Thursday and Saturday from 5 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and Friday from 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. For more information, call Goodale's Bakery at 348-8682.

## HONORS

### Grand Valley State University

Sandra Baynham, Amanda Fortino, Kimberly Ruley and Kathryn Sheldon, all of Grayling; and Michelle Fritz and Kimberly Hartman both of Roscommon, have all been named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2002 semester.

These students have maintained at least a 3.5 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale and have been enrolled in a minimum of 12 graded credits.

### Lake Superior State University

Ann Hughes and Rebecca Hunt, both of Grayling, have been named to the Dean's List, having earned a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and being full-time students carrying at least 12 graded credits of college level courses (100 level or above).

Hughes is currently a freshman studying Human Services and Hunt is currently a sophomore studying Political Science.

### Western Michigan University

Steven Corlew, David Golnick and Jeremy Jones, all of Grayling, have been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester, having earned a grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and carrying at least 12 hours of graded class work.

Corlew is studying Earth Science, Golnick is studying English and Jones is studying Environmental Studies and Earth Science.

## HOMETOWN NEWS

Before a crowd of about 30 people at Stevens Family Circle restaurant in Grayling, on February 22 at 3:30 p.m., long-time Cribbage player, Darwin Wilder, was double-skunked (for the first time in his life) by his opponent, Lou Knack.

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during February 26 - March 4, is as follows:

The Range 40 Air to Ground Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during the following dates: February 26-27, March 4.

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## Archery club seeks help from community

For many years, Grayling was considered by many as the "Archery Capital of the World." Bear Archery, Fred Bear's dream, became a reality. Today, much history is slipping away with the generation that created it, and archery is struggling to have a meaning in Grayling.

The Bear's Bowmen Archery Club reorganized 14 years ago and is in need of community support.

Over the past eight years, the club has instructed several hundred children -- as many as 150 in one year -- in the sport of archery and how to handle the

equipment safely.

The great success of the program is due to the cooperation of the local 4-H and Bear's Bowmen. Children are never turned away because of lack of finances. Many have returned four or five times because they really enjoy the sport of archery. Several have even attended Ted Nugent's camp for kids.

The Bear's Bowmen clubhouse is located at Hanson Hills. Although it was built and financed by Fred Bear and his associates for the archers of the community, the current club has to pay rent and utilities to the

Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) to maintain its lease agreement. There are numerous other expenses incurred by the Bowmen such as liability insurance, equipment replacement and cost of targets.

At this time, there is an urgent need for community support as finances are stretched to the limit. Archers and citizens can help by becoming a member of the Bear's Bowmen. Annual membership fees are: Family - \$45; Single - \$35; and Student - \$15.

Members who are current on their dues are given access to the

club so the archers are able to use the facility for practice when desired.

A 3-D moving target is located inside the club and a target shoot is scheduled for March 9. Registration begins at 9 a.m. at the clubhouse. Entry fees are \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members.

For more information about the upcoming shoot or membership, call 348-7221, 344-2333, or any club member which one may know; or write to Bear's Bowmen at 6370 Hanner Trail, Grayling, MI 49738.

## Millions await taxpayers who failed to file in 1999

Unclaimed refunds totaling more than \$99 million are awaiting about 80,000 Michigan taxpayers who failed to file a 1999 income tax return, said IRS Michigan spokesperson Sarah Wreford. "In order to collect the money, a return must be filed with an IRS office no later than April 15, 2003," she added.

"Time is running out. If you don't file a return, you can't get a refund," Wreford said. "We urge taxpayers to double-check their records before the April 15 deadline. We want people to get the refunds they're entitled to."

The IRS estimates that about

half of those who could claim refunds would receive more than \$511. Some individuals may have had taxes withheld from their wages but had too little income to require filing a tax return. Others may not have had any tax withheld but would be eligible for the refundable Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

Generally, individuals qualified for the EITC in 1999 if they earned less than \$30,580 and had more than one qualifying child living with them, less than \$26,928 with one qualifying child, or less than \$10,200 and had no qualifying child.

Many low-income workers may not have claimed the EITC. Although eligible taxpayers may get a refund when their EITC is more than their tax, those who file returns more than three years late would only be able to offset their tax. They would not receive refunds if the credit exceeded their tax.

If no return is filed to claim the refund within three years, the money becomes property of the U.S. Treasury. For 1999 returns, the window closes on April 15, 2003.

The law requires that these returns be properly addressed,

postmarked and mailed by that date. There is no penalty assessed by the IRS for filing a late return qualifying for a refund.

"Also, I want to remind taxpayers seeking a 1999 refund that their checks will be held if they have not filed tax returns for 2000 or 2001," said Wreford. "In addition, the refund will be applied to any amounts still owed to the IRS and may be used to satisfy unpaid child support or past due federal debts such as student loans."

Wreford added that current and prior year tax forms are available on the IRS Web site ([www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)) or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676). Taxpayers who need assistance can also call the IRS help line at 1-800-829-1040.

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District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for March. Please call 348-7800 for appointments.

Immunization clinics: March 5 and 19.

Family planning: March 4 and 18.

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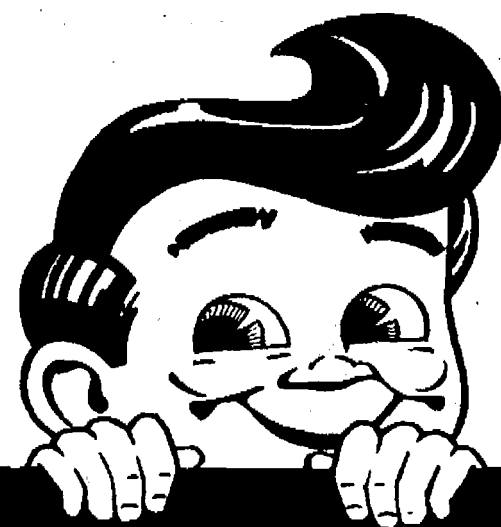


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## THE POWER SPOT

News from Grayling Elementary & AuSable Primary Schools

On Wednesday, January 29, Mrs. Kami Boik's second grade class took an interactive fieldtrip to the space station. The class learned about microgravity and how the astronauts train for that in a pool.

The AuSable Primary recently held a school wide writing prompt called "My Snowy Day." AP has a common writing prompt three times each year. The teachers score the students

work using a rubric, which allows a consistent, objective evaluation of the writing. By scoring it together, the teachers have a clearer idea about the skills the students are mastering and those needing more emphasis at each grade.

Mrs. Lori Patterson/Mrs. Kathee Sheldon's and Miss Pam Williams' first grade classes celebrated the "100th day of school" with each student bringing in 100 items to be counted.

Mrs. Pam Alexander and Mrs. Cheryl Hatfield's first grade classes visited Mercy Manor. On this visit the students made Valentine crafts with the residents.

The Grayling High School Cheer Teams sponsored a Winter Cheer Clinic for elementary students. The students learned four cheers and a dance routine, which was performed at half time during the February 18 Junior Varsity basketball game.

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chase classroom and library materials. Box Tops for Education fund educational assemblies and special speakers. Every label benefits the students and every little bit helps.

The fourth and fifth grade students have finished the MEAP. The students were well prepared for the test and had a lot of parental support at home so they were able to put forth their best effort.

The third grade students will be taking the Terra Nova at the end of March.

Each classroom teacher has scored another class's (same grade level) Mid-Year Assessments for Everyday Mathematics. The teachers will use this assessment to determine which areas in math need more focus.

The fifth grade concerts were held the evenings of January 21 and 22. Mrs. D. J. Brown worked hard with the students who gave their best best performances yet.

Deputy Bonkowski began the

Junior Deputy program for all fourth grade students on February 6. The objective of this prevention program is to educate children on safety issues.

Officer Bill Bonkowski has begun the D.A.R.E. classes for all the second and third graders at AuSable Primary. These lessons center on thinking and acting safely.

Miss Pam Williams first grade class is making a book showing where they are in the world. Each child in turn took a camera home for a picture to be taken of them in bed sleeping and another of them by their front door. Each child will make a book of their own. The pictures are mixed in with drawing and maps the children made of the world around them near and far.

AuSable Primary held an "I Love My School" contest. Students in the classroom that brought in the most box tops receiving a special Valentine's prize. Mrs. Goetz's yellow kindergarten class was the winning class.

### ANNOUNCING

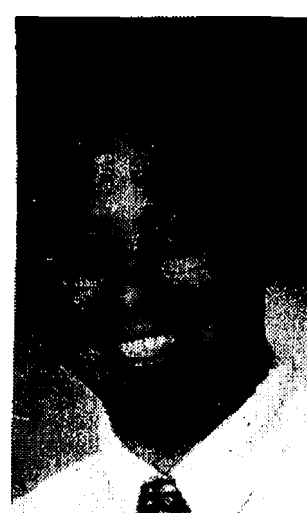
#### NEW ORTHOPEDIC SURGEONS JOIN MERCY HOSPITAL GRAYLING

Darius A. Divina, DO, is joining the staff of Mercy Hospital Grayling as a specialist in Orthopedic Surgery. A graduate of the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Dr. Divina completed his residency in Orthopedic Surgery at Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital in Pontiac, MI.

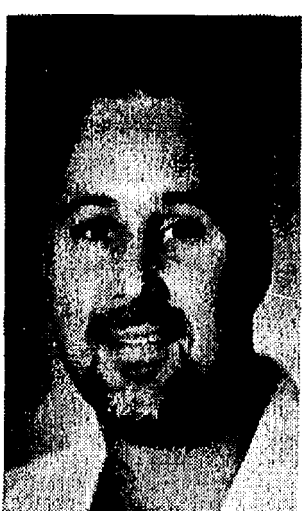
Dr. Divina is joining Joseph R. Yacisen, DO, and the AuSable Sports Medicine and Joint Center. The main office for the practice is now under construction in Grayling.

In addition to Grayling office hours, both physicians will be seeing patients at the Mercy Family Care offices in Prudenville and Roscommon. Until the new Grayling office is ready, Grayling appointments will be offered at the Mercy Hospital Grayling Specialty Clinic.

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by Nova Anderson

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February and March:

26 - Sirloin Tips and Noodles/ Brown Steak; Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.; Exercise and Line Dancing at 10 and 11 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12 noon; Crafts at 1 p.m.; CPU Class at 3:30 p.m.; and Medicine Shoppe Bingo at

5:30 p.m.

27 - Turkey with Dressing/Orange Roughy; Blood Pressure/Blood Sugar at 11 a.m. to 12 noon; Adult Ed Class at 1 p.m. and Uno Attack at 5:30 p.m.

28 - Pork Chops/No Dinner; Beaver Creek Satellite at 12 noon; Pantry Bingo and 80 Cent Rummy.

2 - Sunday Brunch, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. We are serving Blueberry Pancakes with all the fixings.

3 - Turkey and Mashed Potatoes/Veal; Stag Cards at 12 noon; Bridge Club at 1 p.m. and Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

4 - Salisbury Steak/Baked Chicken; Euchre Club at 1 p.m. and McDonald's Bingo at 5:30 p.m.

5 - Spanish Rice/Brown Steak; Commodities at St. Mary's, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; Hearing Clinic by Appointment; Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.; Exercise and Line Dancing at 10 and 11 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12 noon; Crafts at 1 p.m.; CPU at 3:30 p.m. and Cardo at 5:30 p.m.

Thought for the week: Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 145 complaints the two-week period of February 10-23:

Thirty traffic accidents, seven

non-traffic accidents, one traffic violations (civil infraction), one traffic policing, two traffic/public safety appearance, three accidents - all other (snowmobile), two motor vehicle inspections, five liquor license inspections, four civil matter disputes - family trouble;

Seven suspicious situations, one lost and found property, one drug overdose, one natural death, 31 general non-criminal, one assist other jurisdiction, one hazardous situation (spill, leak, power line down), nine delinquent minors, two false alarm activations, two burglary/home

invasion, four larceny, one vehicle theft, two damage to property, one marijuana - sell, one marijuana - possess, one family offense/abuse/ neglect, one violation of liquor control laws, one minor attempt to purchase/possess alcohol, eight public peace disorderly, one OUIL/UBAL, two operating under the influence of alcohol, one conservation, one miscellaneous criminal offense, one miscellaneous arrest, eight driving violations/DWLS (driving while license suspended), etc.

For more information, log on to: www.crawfordsheriff.org.

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## OBITUARIES

**Robert J. Clements**  
March 22, 1922 - Feb. 20, 2003  
Robert J. Clements, age 80, of Crawfordsville, Indiana, died Thursday, February 20 at St. Clare Medical Center. He was born on March 22, 1922 in Crawfordsville to Harold and Mary (Hayworth) Clements.

Robert married Marjorie J. Stockdale on January 19, 1947 in New Liberty Church near Veedersburg.

Mr. Clements graduated from Crawfordsville High School in 1942 where he played in the state basketball finals his senior year. Upon graduation he joined the U.S. Navy serving three years.

He worked at R R Donnell for 31 years, retiring in 1973. In 1960, he opened and operated Clements Canoes until retirement in 1981. His business was one of the first canoe rental businesses in Indiana.

Robert was a member of the First United Methodist Church, American Legion, VFW, and NRA. In 1967 he was elected to the Silver Anniversary Hall of Fame team to the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame. He was also an avid fisherman and bird hunter. He was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather.

Surviving Mr. Clements is his wife, Marjorie; two sons, Jim of Grayling and Fred of Crawfordsville; one daughter, Cathy Clements of Indianapolis; four grandsons, Joshua, Jared, Mark, and Rob; two granddaughters, Jamie Shillings and Jennifer Clements; two great grandchildren, Korbin and Jonah Shillings.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Mary Jane Harlson.

Funeral services were held at Hunt and Son Funeral Home, Reverend Allen Sparks officiated. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery, Grant Avenue, with military rites.

Arrangements by Hunt and Son Funeral Home, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

**Michael Fay Pittman**  
Nov. 24, 1942 - Feb. 18, 2003  
Michael Fay Pittman, age 60, of Grayling, died February 18, 2003. He was born on November 24, 1942 in Alma.

Michael was a performer in the music industry. His lifelong passion was to his music. Mike started playing the accordion when he was a little tyke barely big enough to hold it. He continued to play throughout his lifetime. He was known in Michigan and Florida as "The Cordovox Kid." His passion for music will live through his children and grandchildren as they were each a member of the school band. Mr. Pittman's true passions were his children, grandchildren and music.

Mike's hobby was tractors. His philosophy was "A tractor is a tractor," from repairs and restoration to collecting toys and models. His collection at one time was over 500 tractors of all sizes, makes and models.

He was a past president of the Grayling Eagles Aerie #3465 where he was a lifetime member.

Surviving Mike are his three daughters, Denise (Glenn) Gault of Grayling, Wendy (Kevin) Pratt of Gaylord, and Sandra Pittman of Grayling; three sons, Dennis (Sue) Pittman of Colorado, Scott (Wendy) Pittman of Grayling and Randy (Lori) Pittman of Grayling; 20 grandchildren; one sister, JoAnne (Jack) Cornwell of Ithaca; two brothers, Justin "Bud" (Norma) Pittman of Nevada, and Ted (Rhonda) Pittman of Ithaca; and nieces and nephews.

Mike was preceded in death by his parents and one daughter, Michelle Pittman in 1974.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, February 22 at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel. Officiating the service was the Grayling Eagles Aerie #3465.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**Lois M. Southwell**  
April 3, 1921 - Feb. 20, 2003  
Lois M. Southwell, age 81, of Grayling, died February 20 at her home. She was born on April 3, 1921 in Afton and has lived in Grayling since 1951.

Lois taught school in Cheboygan County before moving to Grayling. She also taught at St. Mary's School until it closed in 1970 but stayed on as the Secretary/Bookkeeper for St. Mary's Parish and the Gaylord Diocesan Education Department.

Surviving Lois is her son Edward (Laura) of Stockbridge; five daughters, Valerie (John) Miller of Frederic, Janet (Bill) Wolfe of Utica, Evelyn Crouch of Inglis, Florida, Christine (Michael) Jungman of Novi, and Colleen (David) Wyss of Grayling; 16 Grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren; four brothers and six sisters.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband Mark, who died in July, 1990.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on February 22 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Reverend Nalley officiated. The pallbearers were her grandsons; John and Tim Miller, Mark Southwell, Jr., Joe Larson, Jeffrey and Brad Crouch, Jeremy Jungman and Joshua Wyss. Honorary pallbearer was Aaron Ashton. Interment was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association. Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

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February 27, 1996

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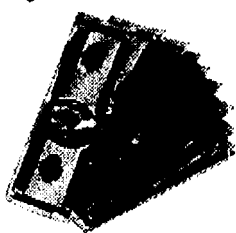
Although we loved him dearly, we could not make him stay.

A golden heart stopped beating, hardworking hands to rest;

God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

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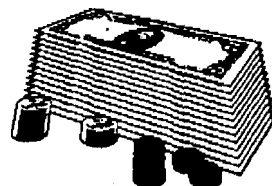
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Grayling City Police Chief Karl Schreiner reports his department handled the following 55 complaints during the period from February 16 - 23:

Three larceny complaints, one breaking and entering, one criminal sexual conduct, three assist other departments, five alarms, two property damage reports, one juvenile, one disturbing the peace, two private property accidents, three traffic accidents, seven civil infractions, three motorist assists, one city ordinance violations, three suspicious situations, 16 unclassified, and three traffic warnings.

**James Arthur Loeding**  
February 21, 2003

James Arthur Loeding, age 65, of Grayling, died February 21, 2003.

A memorial service will be held later in the spring.

Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

### Card of Thanks

We would like to thank Dr. Harrington for her tender care of our Mom and Grandma, Father Nalley for coming to her home and the touching funeral mass. Also to Hospice for being so gentle and compassionate.

We all miss Mom and Grandma, but take comfort knowing she is in heaven watching over all of us.

The Family of  
Lois Southwell

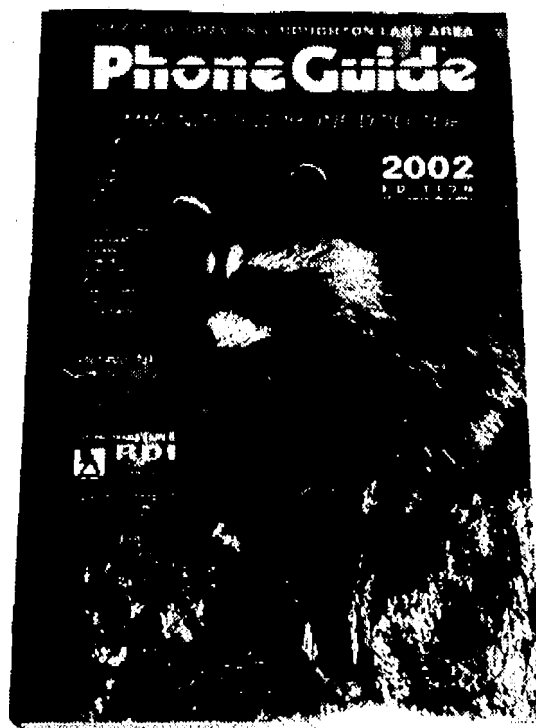
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# ISSUES AND OPINIONS

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## CASD school board action was the final breach of faith

To the editor,

The final breach of faith by the Crawford County School Board came about at the February 10 meeting, when a rushed vote was taken, surprising all but the superintendent and the school board. Interested citizens had been told that the vote to close

Frederic Elementary would most likely not occur at that meeting. One of the mis-informants was Ms. Haug, herself.

The vote was taken only three working days after an important and inclusive February 5 meeting held in Frederic. At this meeting board members and the superintendent received important input from concerned citizens of

Maple Forest, Lovells and Frederic. Ideas were presented on ways to keep Frederic Elementary School open. In the three working days between the meeting in Frederic, and the school board meeting in Grayling, there was not ample time for the school board members, superintendent and any other officials to sincerely examine the budget and eliminate 11 percent of non-essential items needed to keep all schools open.

The school board and superintendent had been given a list of 35 questions to answer regarding things that might affect closure of Frederic Elementary. They were given ample time (until February 5) to find answers to these questions. I, among others, was shocked to see the arrogance shown by some board members, in facial gestures and tone of voice.

In addition, answers were vague and evasive. Example: Question 14 - How does Crawford-AuSable compare to like districts for number of employees, and administration pay scale? Answer: "We're on the high end of the scale." We were given no specifics as to administration costs. We were given the figure of \$578 per student. Confusing? Evasive? Yes!! How can one arrive at a per student ratio without knowing administration salaries?

At this February 5 meeting, besides suggesting an 11 percent cut in each Crawford-AuSable school to avoid closing Frederic Elementary, Maple Forest Township Supervisor, Mark Kniss showed the board blueprints of a large subdivision of individual homes that is in the second stage of construction within five miles of Frederic. Frederic Elementary was included in the builder's Master Plan.

Why wasn't the 11 percent cut considered? Why wasn't construction of a new subdivision reason for Frederic Elementary to remain open? Why didn't the board and superintendent do a community impact study? Why did the school board ignore the original consolidation agreement as well as the previous school board's resolutions of 1991?

Why did the board vote so quickly after the February 5 meeting in Frederic? Were the board and superintendent eager to vote without the attendance of concerned citizens who had given input on February 5? They were certainly aware that a vote to close the school on February 10 would preempt news of input given at the meeting held on February 5 in Frederic. News of the first meeting would not be printed, as it would be irrelevant to the outcome.

Obviously, the out of sight, out of mind mentality of the Crawford-AuSable School Board prevails.

There is no diversity on our present school board. All members are from Grayling. (One board member, Jim Tobin, who voted not to close Frederic Elementary, lives in Grayling, but has lived in Frederic, and has walked in our shoes. We appreciate Jim and other friends in the county who have shown support for continuing our historic school in Frederic.)

Though the school board and superintendent believe Crawford County to be a part of Grayling, that view is not shared by others in our northern Michigan county.

What's going to happen now? What is the future of the Crawford-AuSable School District? We have tried presenting a positive campaign and to work with the present school board, but to no avail. Now, there is talk of deconsolidation, a charter school, home schooling, and of sending students to Gaylord. What will the school district save if they lose only twenty students?

What can concerned citizens do? We can vote not to continue with the present "out of sight, out of mind" school board members as they come up for re-election. We can vote for members from diverse parts of the county. We can be determined that never again will such a group make decisions that are so damaging to an important part of the community.

Clem Sajdak  
Frederic

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## March Madness 2003

### Vikings to face Bucks in round 1 of Districts

► Grayling draws familiar foe for the start of basketball play-offs

The Vikings of Grayling High School and the Bucks of Roscommon High School will face off in the first game of District #63's Class B boys basketball tournament on Monday, March 3, at Cheboygan High School.

District #63 includes Sault Ste. Marie, Grayling, Kalkaska, Roscommon, Houghton Lake, and Cheboygan. All games for the District #63 Tournament will be held at Cheboygan High School.

Houghton Lake and Kalkaska both drew first round byes.

The tournament will open with a 6 p.m. game on Monday, March 3: Grayling vs. Roscommon. (The Bucks defeated the Vikings on February 5. The second regular season match-up between the two teams was scheduled for February 25. The results of that game were not available prior to press time.)

The winner of the GHS vs. RHS match-up will face Houghton Lake in the semi-finals on Wednesday, March 5 at 6 p.m.

At 8 p.m. on Monday, the first round will conclude with Cheboygan vs. Sault Ste. Marie. The winner will advance to the District semi-final game against Kalkaska on Wednesday, March 5, at 8 p.m.

The District #63 championship game will be held on Friday, March 7, at 7 p.m. The winner advances to Regionals.

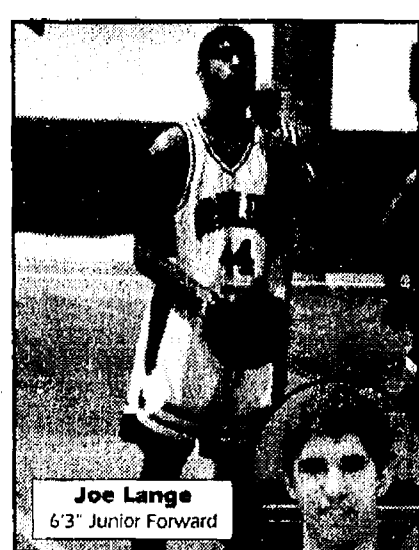
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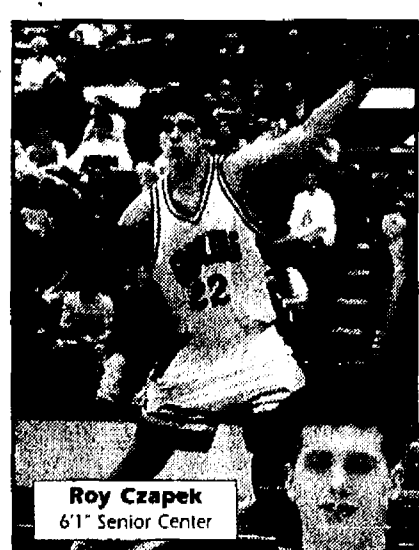
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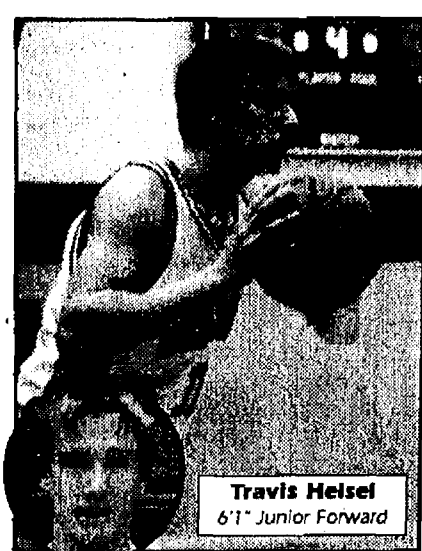
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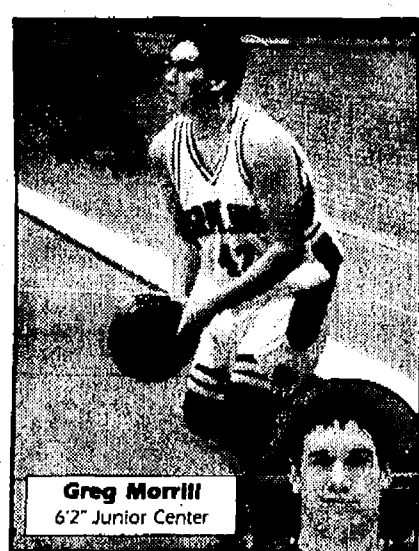
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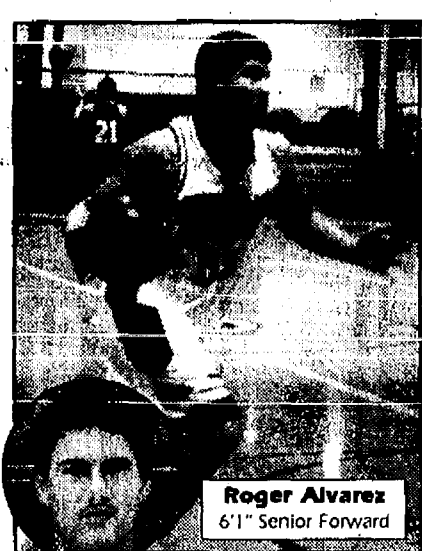
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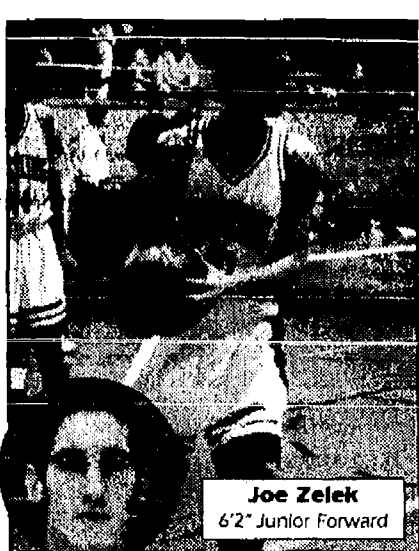
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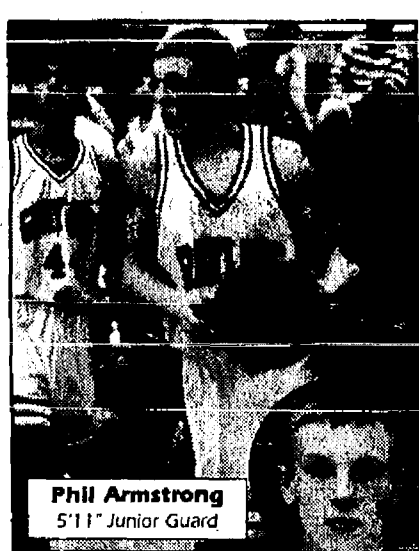
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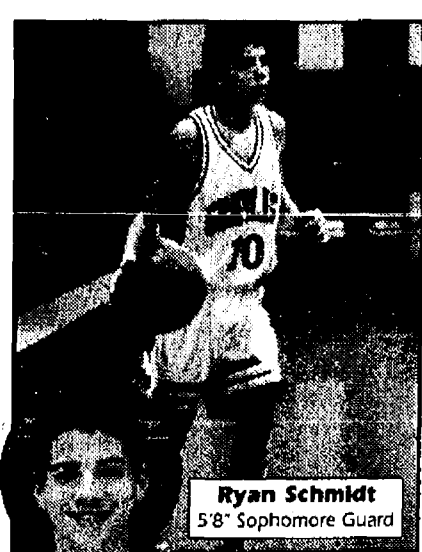
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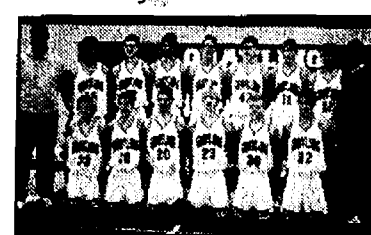
Ryan Davis  
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Josh Hinkle  
6'2" Sophomore Guard

#### The Vikings

Overall Record: 12-6  
League Record: 8-3  
Home Record: 8-3  
Away Record: 4-3



The team: (R. to L.) Gibson Tobin, Ryan Schmidt, Andy Strohpaul, Chad Helsel, Phil Armstrong, Adam Kelsner, (R. to L.) Coach Rob Moffitt, Roger Alvarez, Roy Czapke, Joe Lange, Joe Zelek, Greg Morrill, Travis Helsel, Caleb Mead, Coach Chris Kuwahara.

### NEMC race to end with Grayling vs. Tawas

► Vikings win at Ogemaw to stay in contention for league title

Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball team kept its North East Michigan Conference title hopes alive with a 68-61 victory at Ogemaw Heights on Friday (see Page 3B for more on the game).

Three NEMC teams - Tawas, Grayling, and Bay City John Glenn - were still in contention for a share of the league championship going into last week's set of games. John Glenn slipped out of the race for the league's top spot with a 60-58 loss to Oscoda on Friday. Bay City has finished its league schedule.

Tawas, still in first place in the NEMC, moved to 8-2 in the conference with a 60-58 victory over Standish Sterling Central on Friday.

Grayling, with its victory over West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Friday night, improved its league record to 8-3. The Vikings can still win the NEMC outright, but they need help from Pinconning.

If Tawas loses to Pinconning (1-9 in the NEMC), the Braves and the Vikings will be tied at 8-3 going into this Friday's Grayling vs. Tawas showdown at Tawas, and the victor would win the league. If Tawas wins Tuesday night, Grayling must beat Tawas to claim a share of the league title. Either way, if Grayling does not win at Tawas Friday, the Vikings will finish in a tie with Bay City John Glenn for second place in the conference at 8-4.

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## ADAM KAISER

6'1" Senior Guard #32



Adam, a senior, is a returning letterman. He is one of Graylings' most consistent scoring threats - he can drive or shoot from the outside. Adam is a solid defender and ball handler, and a leader on the floor.



Adam Kaiser

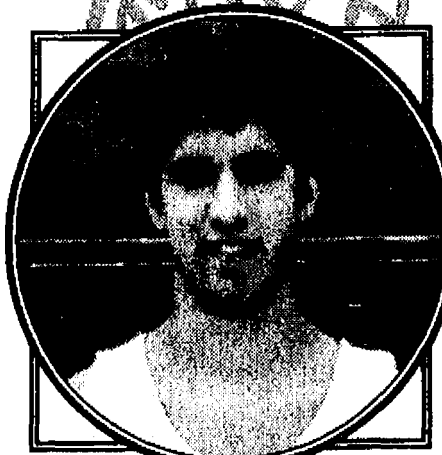


## JOE LANGE

6'3" Junior Forward #44



Joe, a Junior, is a returning letterman. He played varsity ball full-time last year as a 10th grader. He is Graylings' best shot blocker and a very good rebounder. He is also a threat to score under the basket.

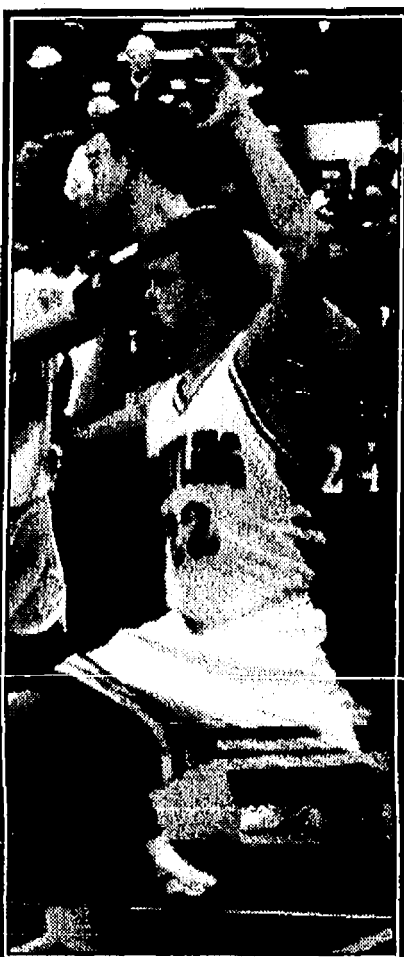


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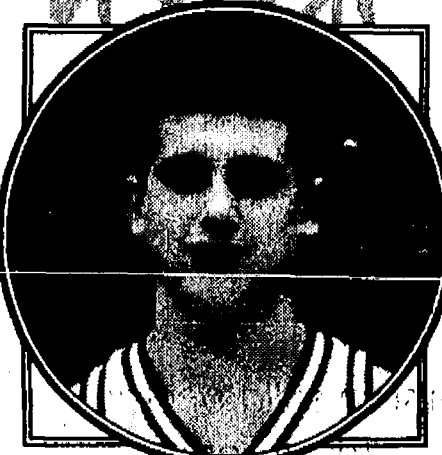


## ROY CZAPEK

6'1" Junior Center #22



Roy, a Junior, is in his first full year of varsity basketball. Last year he was moved up from the JV squad at the end of the year for Districts. One of Graylings' best rebounders and a threat to score inside.



Roy Czappek



## GIBSON TOBIN

5'7" Sophomore Guard #33



Gibson, a sophomore, played varsity ball full-time last year as a freshman. He is Graylings' assist leader and point guard. Gibson can drive to the basket, pull up for a jumper, or hit from the perimeter.



Gibson Tobin

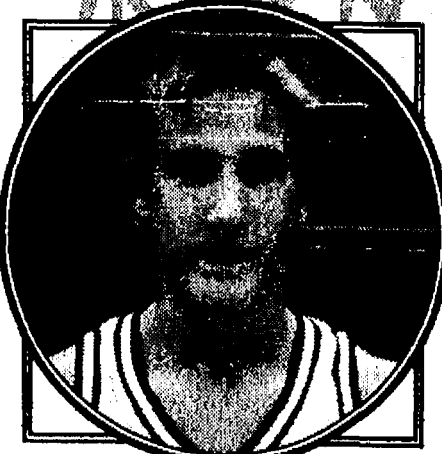


## TRAVIS HELSEL

6'1" Junior Forward #11



Travis, a Junior, is in his first full year of varsity basketball. As a sophomore, he was moved up to varsity for Districts. Travis has a very good jump shot and he is a solid rebounder for the Vikings.



Travis Helsel



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GRAYLING	Game 2nd March 6, 6 p.m.	
Roscommon	Game 3rd March 7, 7 p.m.	333
Cheboygan	Game 4th March 8, 6 p.m.	
South St. Marie	Game 5th March 9, 6 p.m.	
Kalkaska	Game 6th March 10, 6 p.m.	
Bye	Kalkaska	

All matches will be held at Cheboygan High School.

# Grayling Viking Basketball

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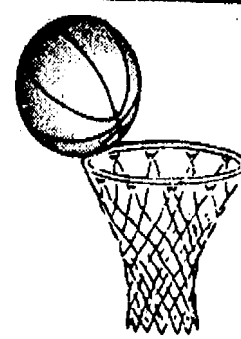
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## What is MARCH MADNESS?

The phrase "March Madness" refers to the furor surrounding high school and college basketball play-offs, which begin in March all across the country.

For area high school basketball teams (and their fans), March Madness starts with the District Tournaments, the first round of play-offs. Teams that win advance to the next game, and teams that are defeated are finished for the season.

Every year, The Crawford County Avalanche salutes March Madness with a special portion of the sports section devoted entirely to the varsity boys basketball team just prior to the start of Districts.

The Vikings will start post-season play with a first round District match against Roscommon on Monday, March 3, at 6 p.m. at Cheboygan High School.

GOOD LUCK, VIKINGS!



**ANDY STROHPAUL**

5'11" Junior Guard #20



Andy, a junior, is in his first year of varsity basketball. He provides Grayling with quality minutes at either guard spot off the bench. He is a good ball handler and shooter. A solid defender.



Andy Strohpaul

**CHAD HELSEL**

5'11" Junior Guard #23



Chad, a junior, is playing in his first year of varsity basketball. He is a solid defender and a good outside shooter who can also slash to the basket. His minutes have increased as the season's progressed.

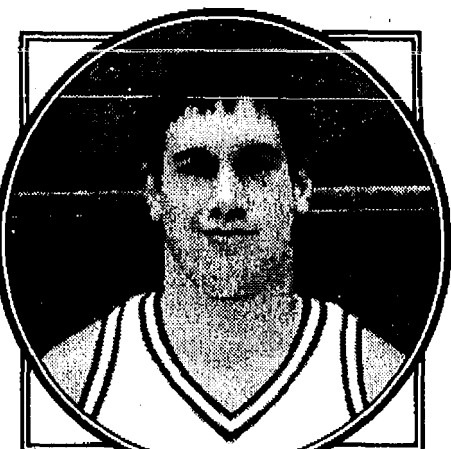


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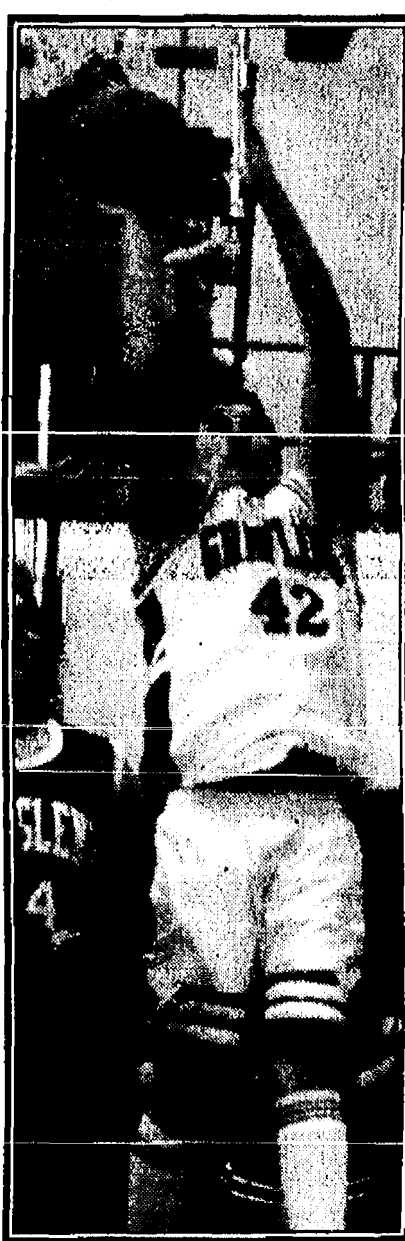
**GREG MORRILL**

6'2" Junior Center #42

Greg, a junior, is in his first year of varsity ball. He is an aggressive defender and provides Grayling with a lot of hustle. Greg gives GHS muscle under the basket, and he is also a solid perimeter shooter.



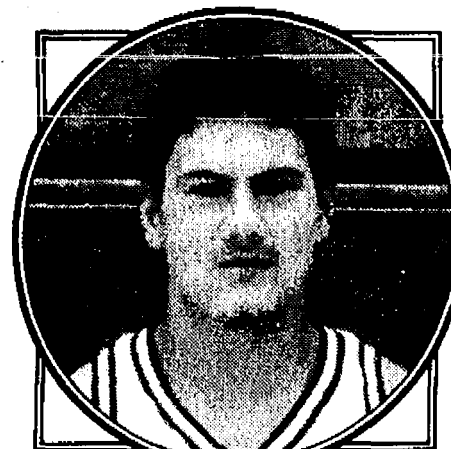
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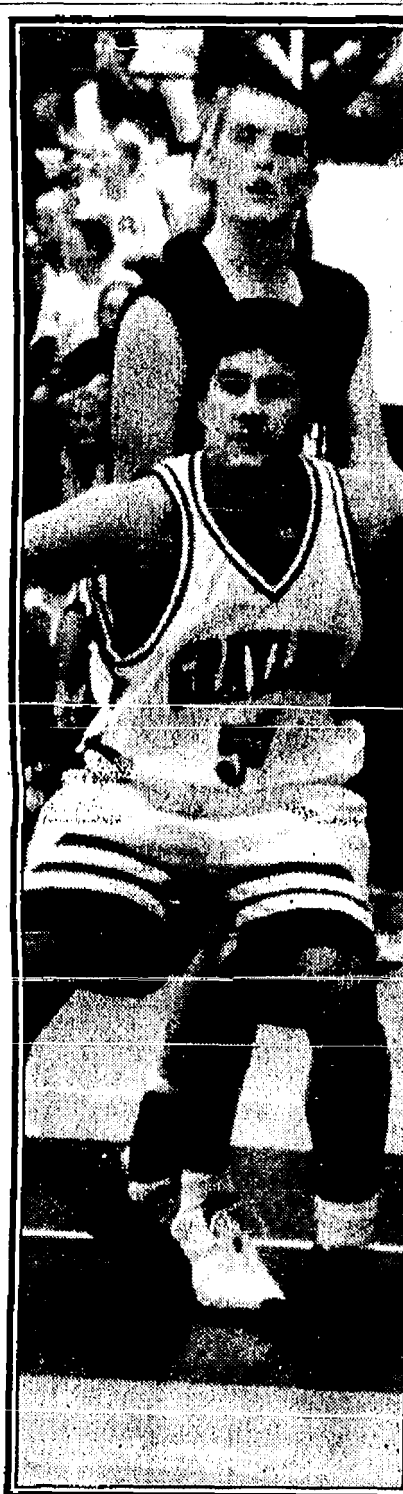
6'1" Senior Forward #55



Roger, a senior, is a returning letterman. He is a physical player that provides Grayling with solid minutes and a strong presence underneath the basket. A good free throw shooter.



Roger Alvarez

**Vikings win at Ogemaw**

► Varsity team wins on strength of 19-9 second quarter run

The GHS varsity boys basketball team improved its league record to 8-3 (12-6 overall) with a 68-61 victory at West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Friday.

With one league game to go (vs. Tawas, current NEMC leader) the Vikings have sewn up at least a second place tie in the league race. A victory over

Tawas on Friday would give Grayling at least a share of the NEMC title, depending on what happens in Tuesday night's Pinconning vs. Tawas match-up this week.

In Friday night's game, Grayling and Ogemaw Heights were tied at 14-14 going into the second quarter. The Vikings had a big second period, outscoring the host Falcons 19-9.

Grayling led by 10, 33-23, at halftime.

After a closely-contested second half, the Vikings came out of it with a seven-point victory, 68-61.

Roy Czapek was the leading scorer for the Vikings with 21 points. Gibson Tobin scored 18. Adam Kaiser, Joe Lange, Travis Helsel, Andy Strohpaul, Chad Helsel, and Roger Alvarez also

had points for Grayling in the match.

"Our kids played very well in the second quarter. Our kids are playing well as a team," Coach Rich Moffit said. "(Roy) Czapek played very well."

**NORTH EAST MICHIGAN CONFERENCE****Varsity Basketball Standings**

Team	League Record	Overall Record
Tawas	8-2	14-3
GRAYLING	8-3	12-6
BC John Glenn	8-4	11-7
Oscoda	6-5	12-6
Standish Sterling	4-7	6-12
Ogemaw Heights	3-8	5-12
Pinconning	1-9	3-15

NEMC standings compiled by The Bay City Times

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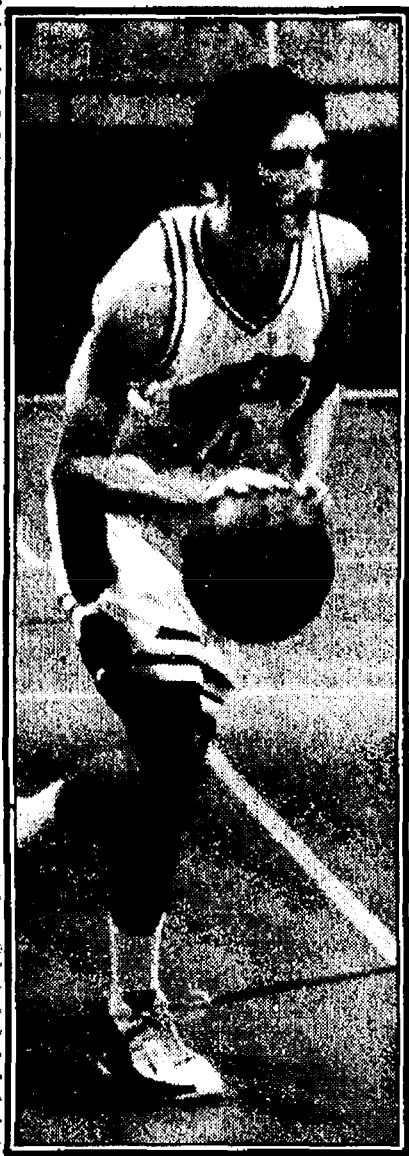
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## JOE ZELEK

6'2" Junior Forward #40

Joe, a junior, is in his first season of varsity basketball. He is a solid rebounder and a decent outside shooter who helps provide Grayling with good depth at the forward position.



Joe Zelek



## CALEB MEAD

5'11" Senior Guard #12

Caleb, a senior, did not play basketball last year. He missed a few games this year due to a knee injury, but he has been back in the line-up lately. Caleb is a good ball handler and outside shooter.



Caleb Mead



## PHIL ARMSTRONG

5'11" Junior Guard #30

Phil, a junior, is in his first year of varsity basketball. He is a solid defender and can hit the jumper or perimeter shot. He helps provide Grayling with depth at the guard position.



Phil Armstrong



## RYAN SCHMIDT

5'8" Sophomore Guard #10

Ryan, a sophomore, has split time between the JV and varsity squads this year. He is one of Grayling's quickest players. Ryan is a good passer who can also drive to the basket or pull up for a jump shot.



Ryan Schmidt



## RYAN DAVIS

6'1" Sophomore Forward

Ryan, a sophomore, is being moved up from the JV squad for the District Tournament. He is a versatile player - a good ball handler, aggressive defender, and a very good shooter. He can hit from inside or outside.



Ryan Davis



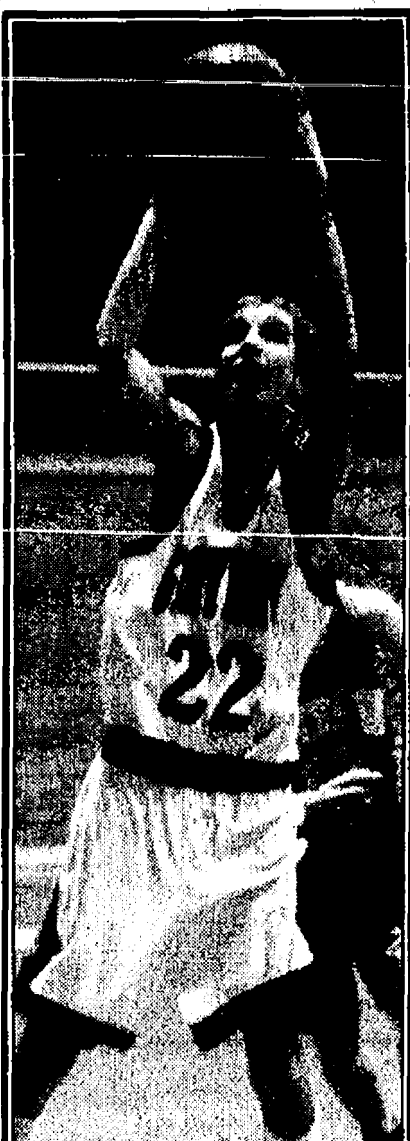
## JOSH HINKLE

6'2" Sophomore Guard

Josh, a sophomore, is a JV player being moved up to varsity for Districts. He is a very good defender and an excellent transition player. He can drive in for a score, pull up for a jumper, or hit the three.



Josh Hinkle

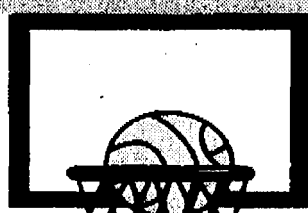


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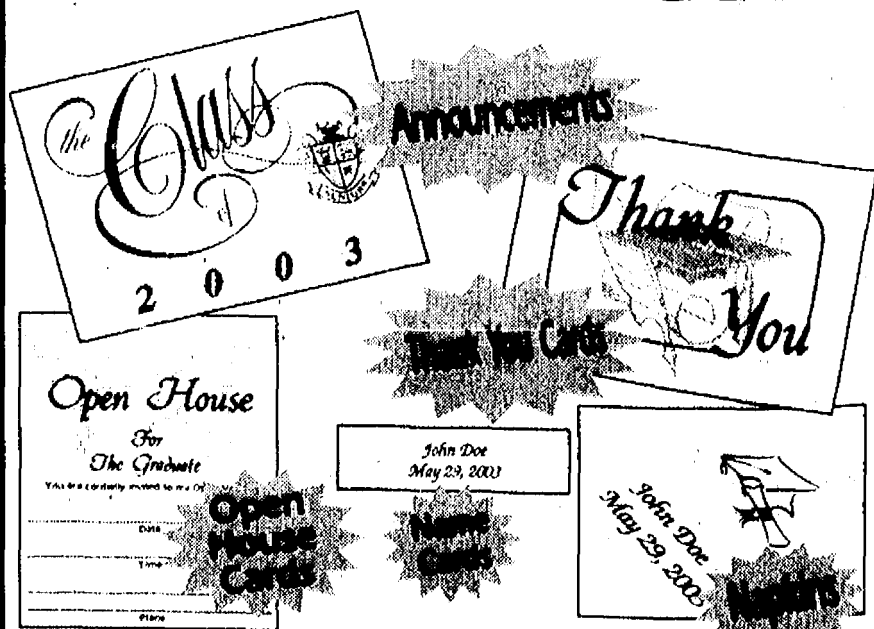
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# JV Vikings defeat Blue Devils

► Grayling wins a back and forth battle vs. Gaylord by five points

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, the GHS Vikings defeated the visiting Blue Devils of Gaylord 62-57 in a back-and-forth junior varsity boys basketball game that was close all the way through.

Grayling led 17-12 after one quarter of play, despite having some trouble getting in sync. The Vikings didn't finish well under the basket, but helped themselves with aggressive defense.

The Vikings scored their 17 first quarter points on a put-back by Josh Millikin, a jump shot and a lay-up by Ryan Schmidt, two free throws by Millikin, a lay-up and a free throw by Josh Hinkle, two free throws by Russ Peters, and two lay-ups by Bobby Starks.

Gaylord scored the first two baskets of the second quarter to pull within one. A free throw by Hinkle and a jumper by Millikin

put Grayling up by four. A three-pointer by Gaylord cut it back to one. The Blue Devils scored again to take a one-point edge. A jumper by Starks gave the lead back to Grayling. Two free throws by Gaylord gave the Blue Devils a one-point advantage.

Two free throws by Starks put the Vikings ahead. Gaylord answered with a jump shot for two. A drive by Schmidt and a free throw by Jess Bobenmoyer put the Vikings up by two. A shot inside by Gaylord tied the contest at 27-27.

Free throws by Tyler Cragg and Hinkle put Grayling up by three. A shot inside pulled the Blue Devils within one. A jumper by Starks and a put-back by Hinkle in the last 30 seconds of the second quarter gave Grayling a 34-29 halftime lead.

Gaylord rallied for a 20-10 third quarter, putting Grayling behind 49-44 going into the fourth period. The Vikings scored their 10 points on a put-back by Starks, a jumper by Hinkle, shots inside by Ryan Davis and Peters, and free throws by Matt Swope and Hinkle.

In the first three minutes of the fourth, all the scoring action was done at the free throw line. Millikin hit three of four for the Vikings in two trips to the line. Gaylord was 0 for 4 from the line in two trips.

Gaylord hit a shot inside to lead 51-47. Two free throws by Bobenmoyer pulled the Vikings within two. A put-back by Starks at the 3:09 mark tied the game at 51-51.

A free throw by Gaylord and a free throw by Starks left the game tied. A put-back by Hinkle gave Grayling a 54-52 advantage with 2:34 left in regulation. Gaylord answered with a jump shot to lock the score in a tie again.

A free throw by Hinkle at the 1:31 mark put the Vikings up by one. Gaylord turned the ball over and fouled.

Grayling missed both free throws.

Gaylord, still down by one, surrendered the ball on a deflection. Starks came up with the loose ball. He drove and passed off to Cragg underneath the basket, who converted for two points. Grayling led by three, 57-



Photos by Caleb Casey

Josh Hinkle drives to the basket for Grayling in last Tuesday's JV game against the Blue Devils of Gaylord.

54, with 1:02 left in the fourth quarter.

Gaylord lost the ball out of bounds on its next possession. The Blue Devils fouled to stop the clock. Starks hit both free throws to give Grayling a 59-54 edge.

The Blue Devils scored a triple with 19 seconds left in the game. Gaylord fouled, and Schmidt hit one of two at the line to put the Vikings up by three.

Gaylord tried for a three, missed, and the ball went out of bounds - last touched by a Blue Devil. Gaylord fouled. Hinkle made both free throws, giving Grayling a five-point advantage (62-57) with two seconds left in the game.

Gaylord launched a hail mary shot, it missed, and that was it. The Vikings won 62-57.

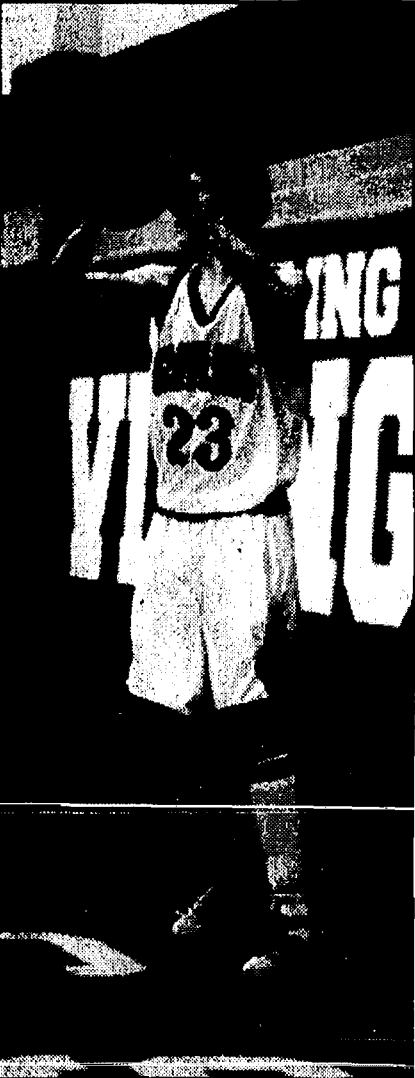
Coach Butch Hayes said his team played hard all game and

gave a solid effort, but struggled to find a rhythm. "I thought (Josh) Millikin played well, and Russ Peters. We got a good interior game from them," he added.

Starks was the leading scorer for Grayling with 17 points. Hinkle finished with 16. Nine Vikings scored in the match, in all.

The win improved Grayling's season record to 16-1.

The Vikings will finish their 2002-03 season at Tawas on Friday, February 28.



Jess Bobenmoyer looks for an open teammate on an in-bounds play vs. Gaylord.

## BOWLING LEAGUE

Friday Mixed Doubles	
American Legion . . . . .	30 - 14
Northern Cafe. . . . .	27 - 17
Double Trouble. . . . .	23 - 21
Moshier Auto Repair . . . . .	21 - 23
Ken's Tire & Auto . . . . .	20 - 24
Charlies Country Corner . . . . .	19 - 25
Fick & Sons. . . . .	18 - 26
Piehl's Sawmill . . . . .	17 - 27
High Series Men: R. Marwede, 586; C. Hanson, 574; D. Wallace, 556.	
High Game Men: R. Marwede, 237; C. Hanson, 216; R. Moshier, 211.	
High Series Women: S. Johnson, 557; M. Moshier, 461; K. Moshier, 455.	
High Game Women: S. Johnson, 205; M. Moshier, 181; K. Moshier, 171.	

American Men's League	
Warren Forest Products	28.5 - 13.5
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Moore's Automotive . . . . .	24 - 18
McLean's Ace . . . . .	20 - 22
Scheer Motors . . . . .	19 - 23
GADCO . . . . .	18 - 24
Forrest Brothers. . . . .	17 - 25

Fenton's Auto Service . . . . .	16 - 26
High Series: D. Canfield, 627; D. Yanniello, 609; A. Angove, 607.	
High Game: D. Canfield, 236; D. Yanniello, 234; B. Palmer, 227.	

Pioneer League	
South Side River Rats . . . . .	28 - 08
Avalanche . . . . .	25 - 11
Rochette's. . . . .	20 - 16
The Ice House. . . . .	17.5 - 18.5
Hawk Ridge Golf . . . . .	16.5 - 19.5
Chemical Bank . . . . .	13 - 23
Custom Interior . . . . .	13 - 23
McDonald's of Grayling . . . . .	11 - 25
High Series: B. LaMotte, 550; C. Jones, 548; H. Stairs, 531; K. Moshier, 506.	
High Game: B. LaMotte, 226; C. Jones, 208; T. Parker, 200; H. Stairs, 194.	

Recreation	
Gale Enterprises . . . . .	26 - 10
Hawk Ridge Golf . . . . .	21 - 15
Chicken Little Joint Pro. . . . .	19 - 17
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Peterson's Saw Service . . . . .	18 - 18

Glens' Market . . . . .	16 - 20
Mickey Perez CPA . . . . .	15 - 21
Coldwell Bankers . . . . .	11 - 25
High Series: J. Czapek, 573; V. Balmes, 533; W. Sheldon, 493; R. Schanz, 475.	
High Game: J. Czapek, 211; V. Balmes, 191; I. Hatfield, 191; L. Hanson, 179.	

Senior Bowling	
Grayling Pharmacy . . . . .	63.5 - 24.5
Spike's Keg O' Nails. . . . .	45 - 43
Gray Rock . . . . .	43 - 45
Cornell Insurance . . . . .	42.5 - 45.5
Flowers By Josie . . . . .	41 - 47
Sylvester's Sports . . . . .	40 - 48
Hall's Snow Removal . . . . .	39 - 49
Buccielli's Pizza . . . . .	37 - 51
High Series Men: R. Rysso, 549; D. Germain, 527; G. Wolfe, 519.	
High Game Men: G. Wolfe, 205; R. Rysso, 205; B. Holton, 201.	
High Series Women: D. Hollis, 562; M. Rysso, 519; W. Finkbeiner, 458.	
High Game Women: D. Hollis, 194; M. Rysso, 192; W. Finkbeiner, 181.	

## WOMEN' POOL LEAGUE

Standings	
Swamp . . . . .	166
Sawmill 2 . . . . .	154
Plaza . . . . .	148
American Legion . . . . .	139
Gray Rock . . . . .	135

Frederic Inn . . . . .	129
Spike's . . . . .	117
Sawmill 1 . . . . .	116

5 Ball Runs: Cindy (Sawmill 2), Annette (Swamp), Dawn	
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(Swamp), Christy (Sawmill 1), Jill (Plaza), Siss (Frederic Inn).	
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7 Ball Runs: Dee (Gray Rock), Won All Games: Tonya and Jill (Plaza).	
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## MEN'S 30+ BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Spike's . . . . .	8-1
McLean's . . . . .	5-4
Holiday Inn . . . . .	3-6
Weyerhaeuser . . . . .	2-7
McLean's 43: Trudgeon 7, Annis 9, Potter 5, Mike	

Doremire 9, Kirk 13.	
Holiday Inn 26: Smith 3, Hamlin 2, Wieler 6, Dean 4, Swope 8, Weaver 3.	
Spike's 70: Church Jr. 17, Jon Thompson 14, Patterson 14, Tom	

Gardiner 2, Myers 5, Jim Gardiner 2, Smitz 16.	
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Weyerhaeuser 59: Ruddy 10, Grant 11, Dandy 16, Simon 10, Davis 12.	
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## Two GHS wrestlers qualify for State

► Dusty Partello and Brandon Pratt earn spots at State Wrestling Finals

Two Grayling High School wrestlers — Brandon Pratt and Dusty Partello, both of whom are juniors at GHS — recently qualified for the Individual State Wrestling Finals to be held March 6-8 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

At Regionals at Howard City on Saturday, Partello (152) won his first match and his second match, defeating opponents from

Howard City and Spring Lake, respectively. In the championship match, he lost to Drew Gillespie of Kalkaska.

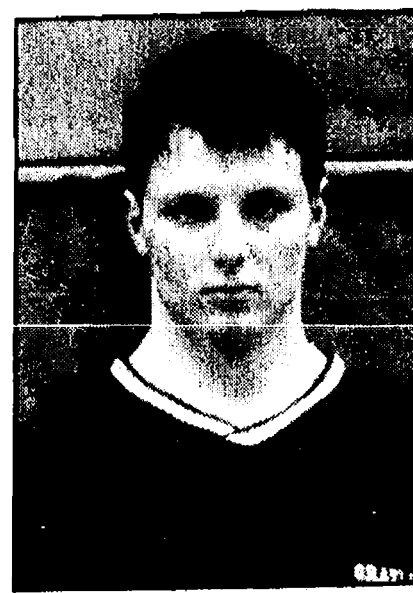
Partello, who has posted a 35-7 season record so far this year, will be making his second trip to the State Finals.

Pratt (171) lost his first match at Regionals to a Howard City wrestler, then won his next two bouts to earn a State Finals berth. Pratt, 39-9 so far this season, lost his last match of the day to a wrestler from Gladwin.

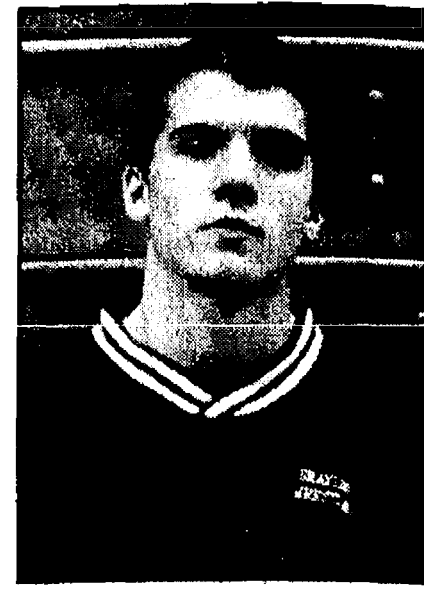
Joel Wilson, a freshman, and junior Darryl Babbitt also qualified to wrestle in Regionals, but did not place high enough to secure a spot at the State Finals.

Wilson (145, 26-14) won his first match then lost his second at Regionals. In his third contest, Wilson lost a 2-1 decision in a hard-fought battle.

Babbitt (160, 31-13) lost his first match on Saturday by deci-



**Dusty Partello**  
**State Qualifier**



**Brandon Pratt**  
**State Qualifier**

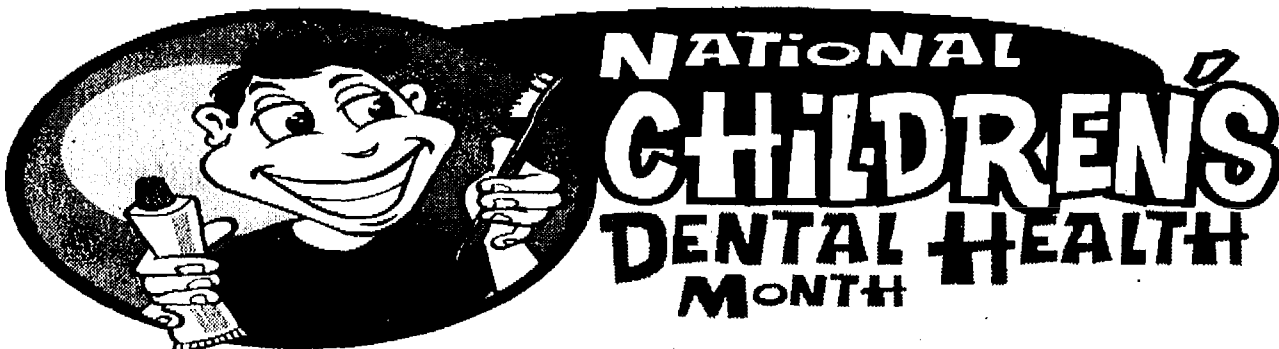
sion, 5-3. He won his next match, then lost his third contest, ending his chances for a State Finals berth.

The Individual State Wrestling Finals will be held at the Palace of Auburn Hills on March 6-8. The event, which includes 14 weight classes in four divisions

for a total of 896 wrestlers, is the largest high school wrestling tournament in America. Wrestlers from over 300 Michigan schools will be competing.

For Grayling, it is the school's 31st time sending a wrestler or wrestlers to the State Finals.

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What is most important to remember when dealing with a tooth injury such as a broken, chipped or lost tooth is the timing. Following the initial impact, the tooth begins to gradually die within 15 to 30 minutes. Seeking immediate dental care is critical after any tooth trauma.

Most tooth injuries are characterized by damage done to the two primary tissue structures: the hard tissue of the tooth and the soft tissue, or pulp, located inside the tooth. Often when a child receives a blow to the mouth, he or she does not suffer from any visible tooth damage but still may have damaged soft tissue inside the tooth. In such cases, teeth often begin to turn pink and then slowly turn gray.

Following are some precautions and tips to keep in mind when faced with chipped, broken or knocked-out teeth:

- Prepare for an emergency by posting the telephone numbers of dental professionals in an accessible, visible place, such as on the refrigerator.
  - Find all parts of the chipped tooth and remember to handle the tooth by the top, not the root.
  - Do not clean or handle the tooth unnecessarily.
  - Reinsert the tooth into the socket, if possible. If the tooth cannot be reinserted, place it in a cup of milk or water.
  - See the dentist immediately.
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## 9th graders win at Ogemaw

► Freshman team is 10-5 after one win, two losses last week

The GHS freshman boys basketball team snapped a four-game losing streak with a 58-50 victory at West Branch Ogemaw Heights last Friday.

"The boys really played solid defense on the road against a tough Falcons team," Coach Joe Mau said. "We finally got back to our type of basketball — tough man-to-man defense, running in transition, and rebounding the ball for four quarters. This game puts us in a great position mentally to finish our season strong."

Eli VanNuck was the leading scorer for Grayling with 26 points. He also had five steals and four rebounds. Zac Baker scored 10 and pulled down seven boards. Reagan Schmidt finished with eight points, four steals, and seven assists. Ryan Feldhauser had six points and three steals.

The Vikings also lost two close matches on the road last week.

On Monday, the Vikings lost 53-49 at Gaylord.

"The boys played three quarters of solid basketball on the road and came up short in the fourth quarter," Coach Mau said. "We need to maintain our sense of poise when the game is on the line and continue to attack the defense. Hopefully, we will execute better against Kalkaska."

VanNuck had a team-high 18 points with six rebounds and three steals vs. Gaylord.

Schmidt scored 11 with five rebounds, Feldhauser had 11 points and two steals, and Zach Dean finished with seven points and seven rebounds.

On Wednesday, the Vikings lost at Kalkaska 54-48.

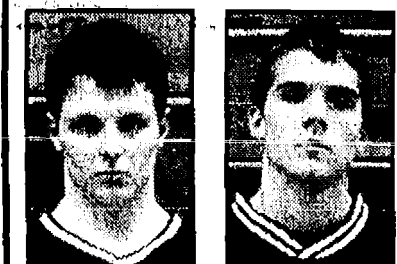
"We just plain were beat up and down the floor," Coach Mau said. "Kalkaska brought energy, enthusiasm, hustle, and pride to the game and we only matched it once in the second quarter. We definitely did not 'leave it on the floor.' Hopefully, we can give a better effort vs. Ogemaw on Friday."

Schmidt had 16 points for GHS. Feldhauser and Dean each scored seven for Grayling in the match.

The Vikings are 10-5 going into the final week of the season.

The team finishes its 2002-03 schedule with a game at Tawas on Friday, February 28.

### Wendy's Vikings of the Week



**DUSTY PARTELO & BRANDON PRATT**  
 Dusty and Brandon, both juniors at GHS, qualified for the Individual State Wrestling Finals to be held on March 6-8 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

## GMS WRESTLING

The Grayling Middle School wrestling team competed against 13 other teams at Meridian on Saturday, February 22.

Placements for Grayling included: 1st — Shane Grove, Matt Haight, Ben Brown, Stephen Grove, Eric Madill, Cody Malone, Jeff Bancroft, Jeff

Harwood, Corey Metzger, Josh Partello; 2nd — Mykel Revord, Keith Revord, Cory Shear; 3rd — Jeff Woolsey, Tory Myers, Krystal Babbitt.

The team will host a meet on Saturday, March 1, at Grayling High School. Wrestling begins at approximately 9:30 a.m.

## GRA WRESTLING

On Saturday, February 22, the Grayling Recreation Authority youth wrestling team traveled to Meridian to compete against 13 other teams.

Placements for Grayling included: 1st — Kyle Schmidt, Zach Mack, Cody Elmy, Joey Schwartz, Daniel DuVall, Zach

Wolcott, Joey Contreras, Matt Townsend; 2nd — Jon Petrie, Calvin Kangas, Derek Babbitt, Shayla Grove; 3rd — Ty Jensen, Ashton Linkhart, Austin Harris, Kyle Peters; 4th — Luke Schneider.

The team will compete in a home meet on Saturday, March 1, at Grayling High School. The meet starts at 9:30 a.m.

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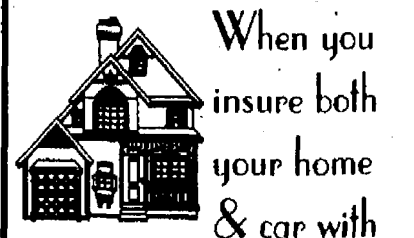
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By Mayoral Proclamation on February 24, 1999, March 5 was designated 'Fred Bear Day' in Grayling, Michigan.



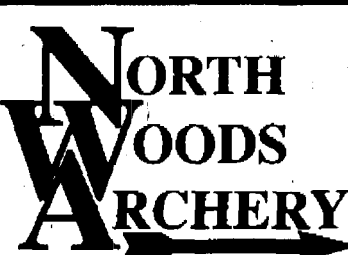
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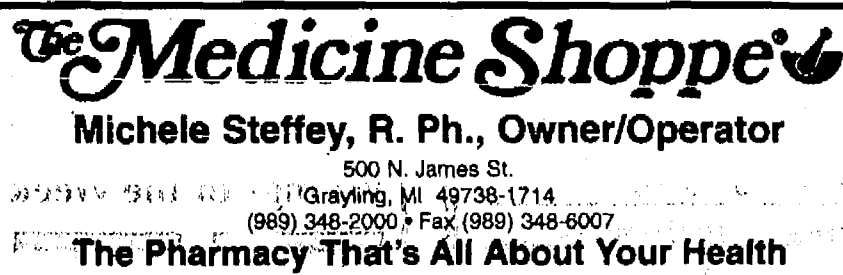
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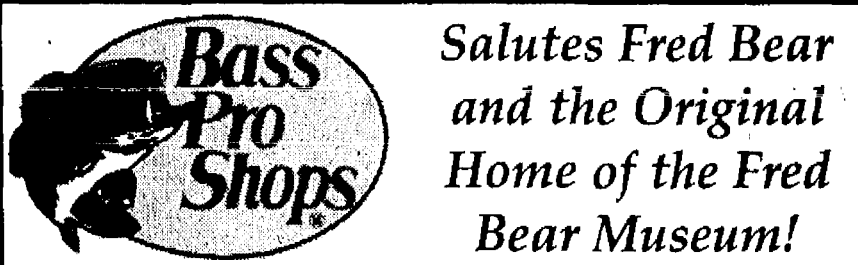
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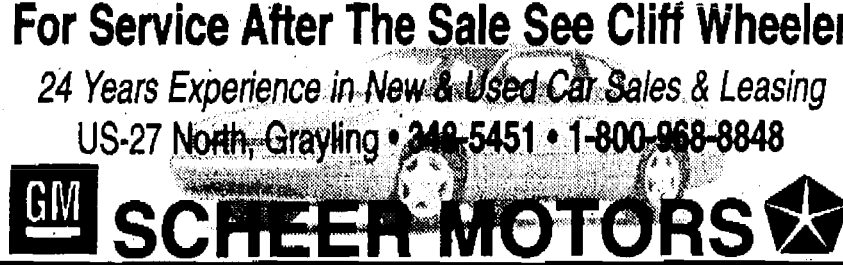
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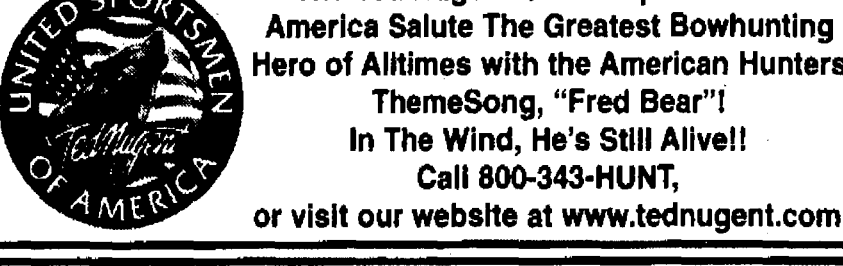
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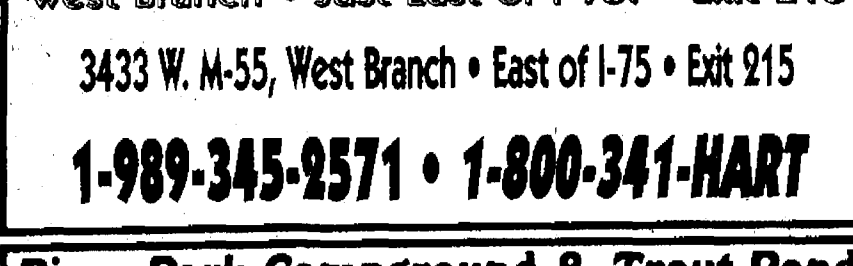
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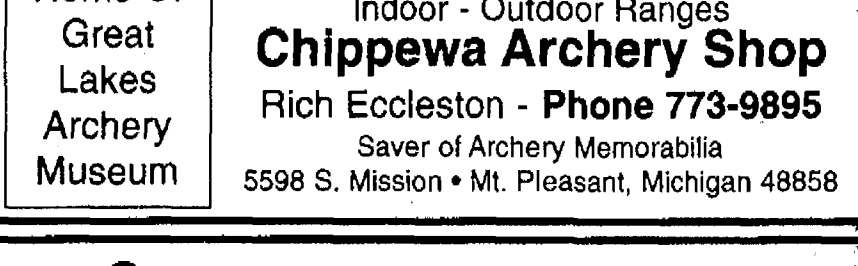
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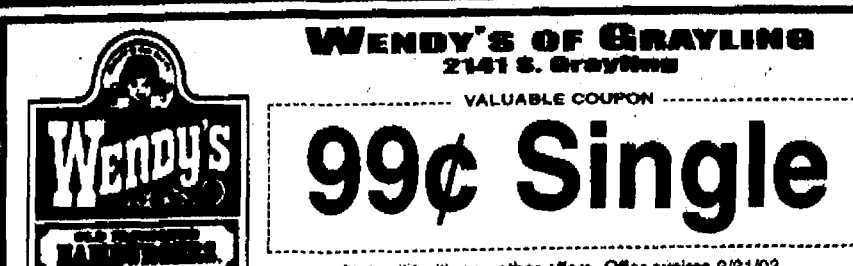
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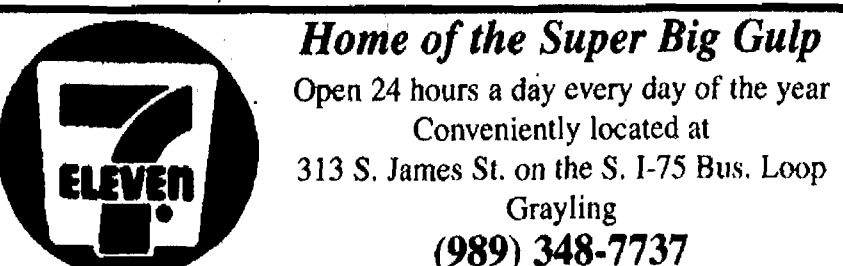
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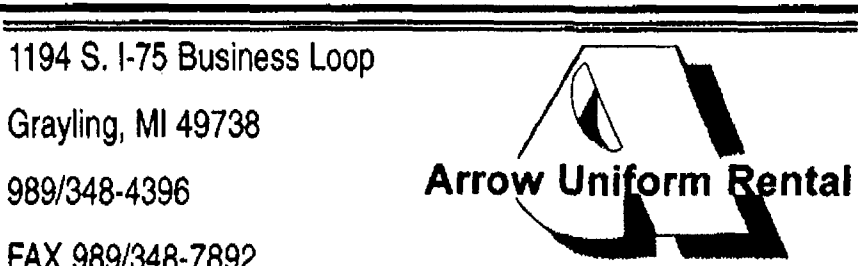
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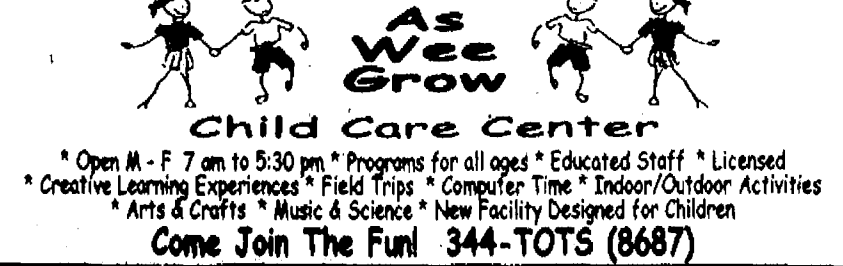
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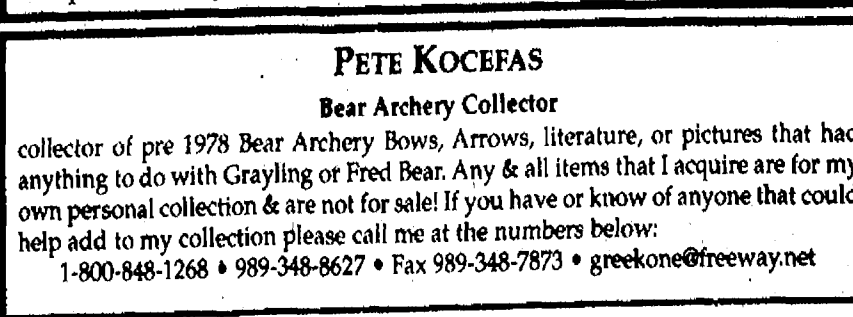
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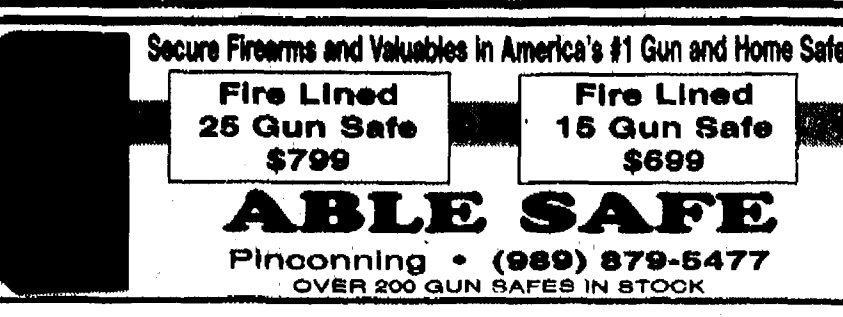
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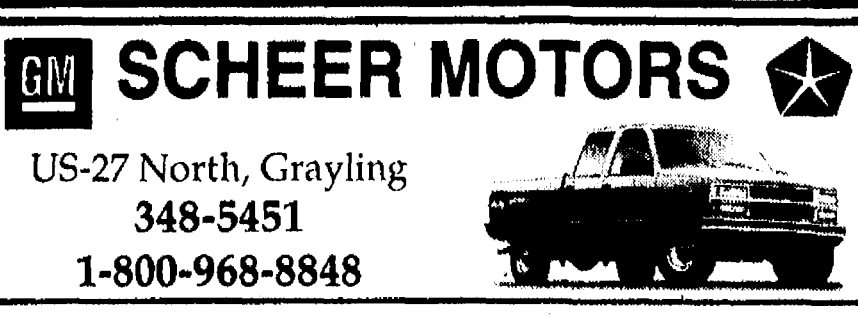
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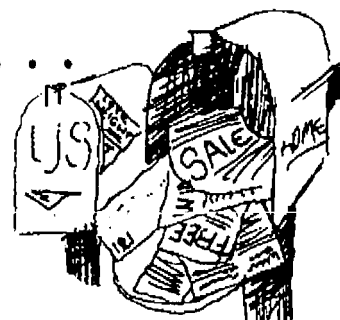


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## LEGAL ACTION

### CITY OF GRAYLING PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that The Grayling City Council has scheduled a Special Council Meeting and Public hearing to take public comments on a City Recreation Plan and approve a plan to submit to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

This special meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 1, 2003 at the Grayling City Hall, 5688 M-72 West, Grayling, MI 49738. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case at hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 5688 M-72 West, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

Michele Moshier  
City Clerk

### CITY OF GRAYLING PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that The Grayling City Council has scheduled an Informational Session on the DDA. The City's Consulting firm, Gosling-Czubak will be present to answer questions and inform the general public on the process.

This session is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12, 2003 at the AuSable Primary School Library, 306 Plum Street, Grayling, MI 49738. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case at hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 5688 M-72 West, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

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# Grayling beats Gaylord 81-69

► Varsity team  
moves to 11-6  
with 12-point win  
over Blue Devils

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The Vikings of Grayling High school won a hard-fought non-conference varsity boys basketball match-up vs. the Blue Devils of Gaylord last Tuesday in Grayling.

The victory improved Grayling's season record to 11-6 and avenged an early season loss to the Blue Devils at Gaylord.

Graylord took a quick 6-0 lead on a free throw, a three-point play, and an alley-oop jam. Grayling scored two on a lay-up by Andy Strohpaul. Down 9-2, the Vikings went on an 8-0 run that included two free throws by Strohpaul, a put-back by Greg Morrill, a shot inside by Roy Czapek, and a lay-up by Gibson Tobin.

Grayling led by one after the run. Gaylord scored to take a one-point lead. The Vikings scored six straight points - on a jumper by Travis Helsel, two free throws by Roger Alvarez, and a jump shot by Czapek - to take a 16-11 lead. The Blue Devils scored the next five points to tie the game at 16-16. A three-point buzzer gave Grayling a 19-16 edge going into the second quarter.

The Vikings scored 24 second period points to Gaylord's 18.

Grayling's 24 points were the result of a triple by Morrill, jumpers by Adam Kaiser and Tobin, a put-back by Joe Lange, two triples by Chad Helsel, a jumper by Czapek, a put-back by Morrill, and free throws by Tobin, C. Helsel, and T. Helsel.

Grayling led by nine, 43-34, at halftime.

After three quarters of play, the Vikings still had a nine-point lead.

advantage. Both teams scored 17 points in the third period.

The Vikings scored their 17 on a put-back by Czapek, a jumper by C. Helsel, two free throws by Czapek, a jumper by T. Helsel, a triple by T. Helsel, jumpers by Czapek and Tobin, and a drive by Tobin following a steal.

Grayling took a 60-51 lead into the fourth quarter.

The Blue Devils opened the fourth period with a triple to pull within six. A drive by Kaiser following a steal put Grayling up by eight. Two free throws by Gaylord cut Grayling's edge back to six.

A put-back by Lange gave the Vikings an eight-point lead. A shot inside and a free throw by Gaylord pulled the Blue Devils within five.

The Vikings responded with a 10-0 run that spanned 2:30 of clock time. The run - which included free throws by Tobin (2 for 2) and Lange (3 for 4), a shot inside by Alvarez on a pass from Kaiser, and a three-point play by Lange - put the Vikings up by 15 (74-59) with 2:48 left in regulation.

Gaylord scored on a drive to pull within 13.

The Blue Devils fouled Tobin, and were whistled for a technical foul after the play. Tobin, shooting his two foul shots and the foul shots for the technical, hit three of four at the line to give Grayling a 77-61 advantage.

Gaylord scored two on a pair of free throws. The Vikings answered with a shot inside by Alvarez. The Blue Devils scored another two points on two free throws.

Grayling, up 79-65 with 1:45 left, killed some time off the clock. Gaylord fouled, stopping the clock at the 0:58 mark. Kaiser hit both free throws.

Gaylord scored four more points on a pair of free throw and a two-point basket, and that was it. The Vikings won by a final score of 81-69.



Photos by Caleb Casey

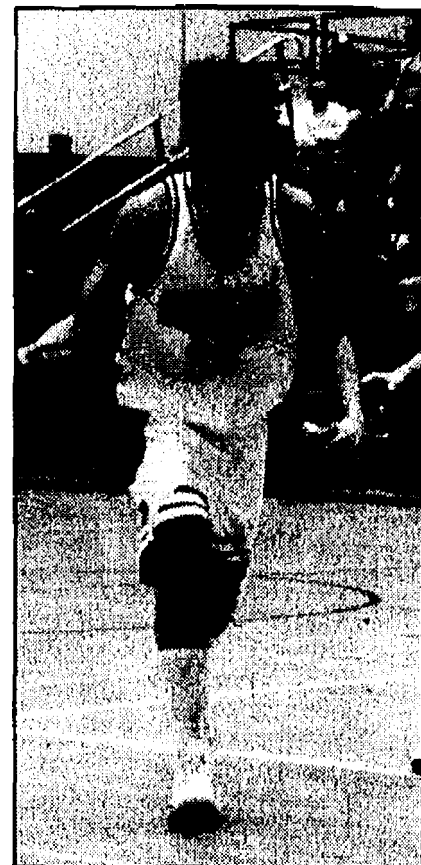
Roy Czapek posts up for Grayling in the game against Gaylord on Tuesday.

"I was pleased with our intensity level throughout this game," said Coach Rich Moffit. "Our kids did a good job of distributing the ball to the open man. We are playing 'team basketball.' At the defensive end of the court, our guys covered for each other."

"Our bench was solid tonight. Chad Helsel and Greg Morrill played well," Coach Moffit said. "This was also a special night for our three seniors - Adam Kaiser, Roger Alvarez, and Caleb Mead. It was great to see them go out on a winning note in their last home game."

Tobin and Lange both posted double-doubles in the match. Tobin had a team-high 19 points and 11 assists. Lange had 10 points and a team-high 10 rebounds. He also had five blocks. Czapek scored 12 points and had four steals.

The Vikings will finish their regular season with a conference battle at Tawas on Friday,



Adam Kaiser handles the ball for the Vikings on Tuesday night.

February 28. Districts start next week.

## Volleyball Districts set for Saturday

Grayling High School's varsity girls volleyball team will start its post-season schedule with a first round District Tournament match against Houghton Lake on Saturday, March 1, at Cheboygan High School.

The tournament will be a one-day event. Teams that lose are finished for the season. The District champion will advance to Regionals.

On Saturday, the Grayling vs. Houghton Lake contest - scheduled for 9 a.m. - will be the first match of the tournament.

The winner will face Cheboygan or West Branch Ogemaw Heights.

Kalkaska, which drew a first round "bye," will play the winner of Roscommon vs. Harrison in the District semi-finals at 12:30 p.m.

The District #62 championship match is scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

### Class 'B' Girls Volleyball District

Bye

(1st Round) -

Kalkaska

Kalkaska

(Semi-Final) 12:30 p.m.

Roscommon

(1st Round) 10:45 a.m.

Harrison

Rosco or Harrison

District #62 Tournament  
@ Cheboygan High School  
Saturday, March 1

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(Final) 2:30 p.m.

GRAYLING

(1st Round) 9 a.m.

Houghton Lake

Grayling or HL

(Semi-Final) 12:30 p.m.

Ogemaw Heights

(1st Round) 10:45 a.m.

Cheboygan

OH or Cheboygan

All matches will be held on  
Saturday, March 1, at Cheboygan  
High School.

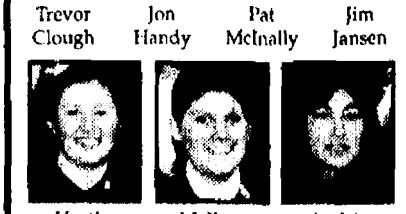


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Vikings of the Week



Skiing  
Coach: Mike Wieland  
**BK INVITATIONAL  
MEDALISTS**

Trevor Clough, Jon Handy, Pat McNally, Jim Jansen, Heather Vandecar, Mallory Olson, and Andria Alvarez all finished within the top six of Grayling's Burger King Invitational, earning medals for the meet.

## Ski team wins Grayling meet



Photo by Caleb Casey

GHS skier Jon Handy competes in the giant slalom event at last Thursday's Burger King Invitational at Hanson Hills. Handy finished 1st in the GS race. Grayling's boys and girls ski teams won the meet, defeating Clare and Roscommon. For more on the event, see next week's edition of the Crawford County Avalanche.



## LEGAL ACTION

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Paula L. Bergbreiter and Danny C. Bergbreiter husband and wife (original mortgagors) to First Union National Bank of Delaware, a National Banking Association, Mortgagee, dated January 5, 2001, and recorded on February 1, 2001 in Liber 527 on Page 570 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by mesne assignments to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Lender, its successors and assigns, as assignee by an assignment dated June 2, 2002, which was recorded on August 2, 2002, in Liber 590 on Page 496 Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Eight and 81/100 dollars (\$66,288.81), including interest at 11.800% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on March 26, 2003.

Said premises are situated in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the Southwest corner post of Section 25, Town 28 North, Range 3 West; thence North on the Section Line 1330.8 Feet to the 1/8 Post For A Place of Beginning; Thence East 300 Feet; Thence South 75 feet; Thence West 300 Feet; Thence North 75 Feet to the Place of Beginning, Less Highway Right-of-Way. Being a Part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 25, Town 28 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 20, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team G (248) 593-1310  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200311266  
Team G

-20-27-06-13

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure

William Azkoul P.C. is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the conditions of a real estate mortgage made by John L. Gay and Catherine E. Gay, husband and wife, whose address is 7076 Sampson Street, Frederic, Michigan 49733, and Bond Mortgage & Investment Corporation, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, whose address is 2007 Eastern, S.E., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49507, dated July 29, 2002, and recorded on August 14, 2002, in Liber 592, Page 318 of the Crawford County Register of Deeds, which mortgage has been assigned to Northpointe Bank, whose address is 770 Kenmoor S.E., Suite 201, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546, by virtue of an Assignment of Mortgage dated August 2, 2002, and recorded on August 14, 2002 with the Crawford County Register of Deeds at Liber 592, Page 334 and upon which there is now claimed to be due for principal and interest the sum of Forty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Two Dollars and Twenty Four Cents (\$44,902.24) and no suit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the said debt or any part thereof.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on March 12, 2003 at 10:00 a.m., the undersigned will sell at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford at public venue to the highest bidder for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said Mortgage, together with the legal fees and charges of the sale, including attorney's fees allowed by law, the premises in said mortgage located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County and which are described as follows:

**Parcel C-1**  
Part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as beginning at a point located distant North 01 degrees 09 minutes 50 seconds East, along the East line of said Section 11 a distance of 1298.19 feet and South 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds West, 275.0 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 11; thence South 01 degrees 09 minutes 50 seconds West, 162.28 feet; thence South 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds West, 275.00 feet; thence North 01 degrees 09 minutes 50 seconds East, 162.28 feet; thence North 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds East, 275.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Subject to and together with the right of ingress and egress over a 66 foot wide easement over said Section 11, centerline of said easement described as beginning at a point of the Easterly right-of-way line of Old U.S. 27 Highway, located distant North 01 degrees 09 minutes 50 seconds East along the East line of said Section 11 a distance of 1298.19 feet and South 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds West, 1130.58 feet and South 07 degrees 02 minutes 22 seconds East, 162.93 feet from the Southeast corner of said Section 11; thence North 88 degrees 39 minutes 23 seconds East, 832.31 feet to the point of ending. P.P. #030-011-016-030-03 which has an address of 7076 Sampson Street, Frederic, Michigan 49733.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241(a) in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 29, 2003  
Drafted By:  
William M. Azkoul (P40071)  
Attorney for Mortgagee  
161 Ottawa Ave., NW  
Suite 205-C  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
(616) 458-1315  
Northpointe Bank  
770 Kenmoor SE  
Suite 201  
Grand Rapids, MI 49548

-06-13-20-27

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by John W. Meredith and Lexis L. Meredith, husband and wife, of Grayling, Michigan (Mortgagors) to Banc One Financial Services, Inc., (Mortgagee) dated May 26, 1999 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on June 23, 1999 in Liber 484, Page 447, Crawford County Records and was assigned by an assignment dated March 31, 2000 to Household Finance Corporation III, a

Delaware Corporation, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on September 7, 2000 in Liber 516, Page 627, Crawford County Records on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of \$163,165.82 including interest at the rate of 12.990% per annum together with any additional sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of April, 2003 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., the undersigned will: at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan foreclose said mortgage by selling at public auction to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amounts due on said mortgage, and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorneys fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows:

Land situated in the Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, is described as follows:

**Parcel H**  
Part of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, Town 25 North, Range 4 West, commencing at the Northwest corner of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 2, thence South 00 degrees 44' 15" West (along the 1/8 line), 667 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 32' 20" East, 653.39 feet, thence South 00 degrees 45' 37" West, 667.5 feet, thence South 89 degrees 32' 30" West, 653.42 feet, thence North 00 degrees 44' 15" East, 667.5 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Tax ID#20-051-002-009-055-00  
The redemption period shall be twelve months from the date of such sale unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 14, 2003  
Richard L. McDonnell (P38788)  
Attorney for Assignee  
38500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 300  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304-5051  
(248) 540-7500  
Household Finance Corporation III  
Assignee

-27-06-13-20-27

### TAXPAYERS OF MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP

The Maple Forest Township Board of Review will hold its organizational meeting on March 4, 2003 at 9 am.

The Board of Review will meet with the public on:

Mon., March 10, 2003	9am - noon
	1pm - 4pm
Thurs., March 13, 2003	1pm - 4pm
	6pm - 9pm

All meetings will be held at the township hall, located at 8996 N. Sherman Rd.

The purpose of these meetings will be to hear petitioners who wish to appeal their assessments, classifications, and to answer any questions pertaining to the tax roll.

CLASSIFICATION	FACTOR	RATIO
Real Property	50.00	1.0000
Agriculture	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
Personal	50.00	1.0000
Utilities	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000

Mark D. Kniss  
Supervisor  
Maple Forest Township

### NOTICE South Branch Township Board of Review

**\*\*Residents and Non-Residents may protest in writing\*\***

The South Branch Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 5245 N. M-18, Roscommon, MI 48653, on the following dates:

Organizational Meeting: Tuesday, March 4, 2003, 1:00 p.m.  
To Hear Taxpayer Petitions: Monday, March 10, 2003,  
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.;  
Wednesday, March 12, 2003, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
and 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Agricultural	50.00	1.00000
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA41.72(2A)(3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The South Branch Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting or public hearing upon ten (10) days notice to the South Branch Township Board.

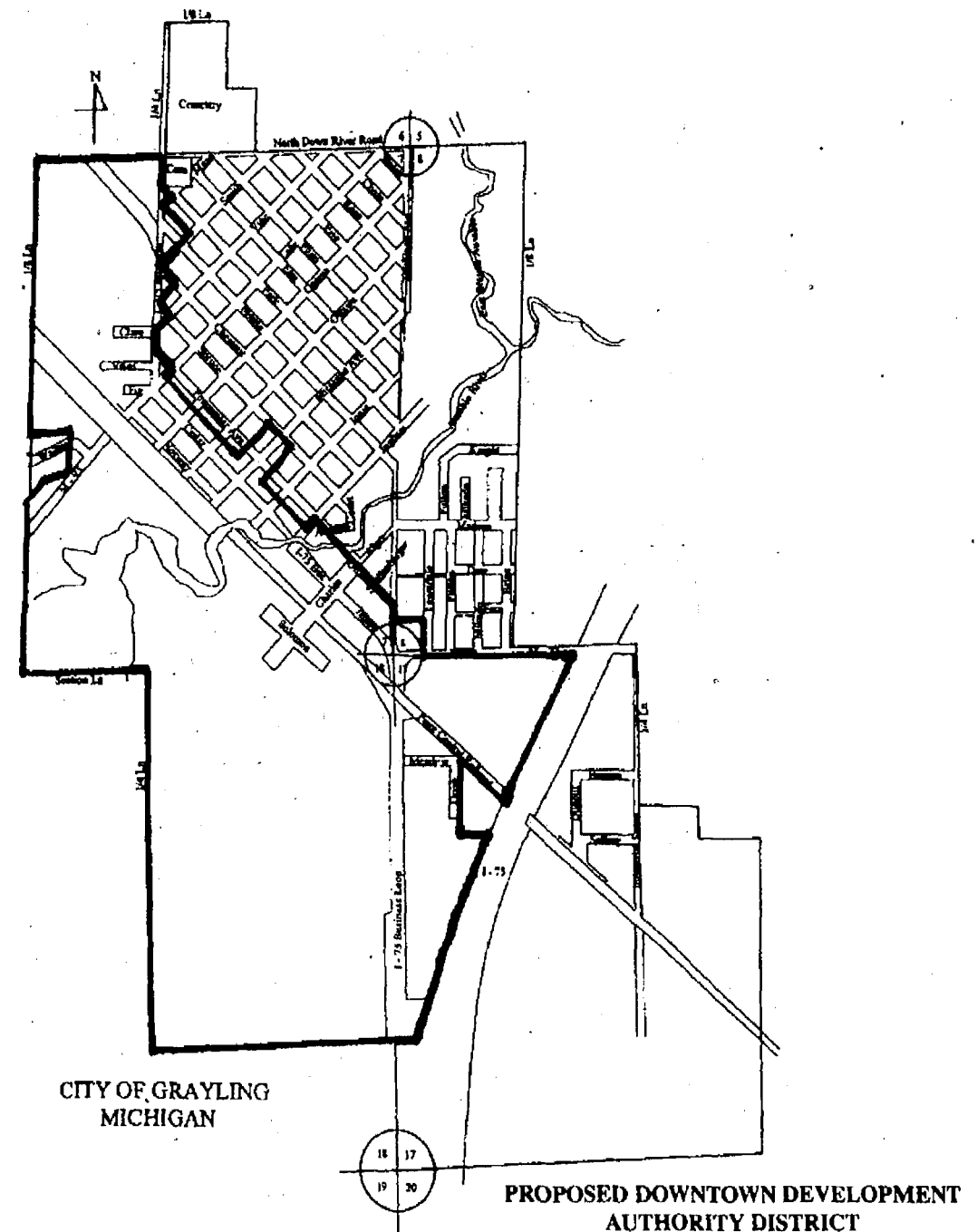
Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the South Branch Township Board by writing or calling the following:

Laura Smith, Clerk  
PO Box 606  
5245 N. M-18  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(989) 275-8232

### CITY OF GRAYLING NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of Grayling will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, March 19, 2003 at The Grayling Elementary School, 1000 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738, to consider the adoption of an Ordinance establishing a Downtown Development Authority for the City of Grayling pursuant to Act 197 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1975, as amended. All city residents are invited to attend this meeting.

The proposed boundaries of the downtown district in which the Downtown Development Authority will exercise its powers are generally described as follows and shown on the map below:



Downtown Development Authority Boundary Description  
City of Grayling, Michigan

The properties described below shall constitute the Grayling Downtown Development Authority District:

**Parcel A:**

The portion of Section 17, T26N, R3W lying Northwest of the Western Right of Way line of Interstate 75 Highway except:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W, thence South 01 degrees 53 minutes west along the section line 692.75 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes, East 130 feet; thence South 01 degrees 53 minutes West 423.25 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 499.5 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes West 113.59 feet; thence South 45 degrees 49 minutes East along the Right of Way of PCRR 767.6 feet; thence South 27 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds West along the Western Right of Way of I-75 240 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 397.96 feet; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes East 620.52 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 66.0 feet to Point of Beginning; and excepting

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W; thence 0 degree 51 minutes 10 seconds West 1182 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 629.5 feet; thence South 1 degree 53 minutes 54 seconds West 554.42 feet to Point of Beginning; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 463.72 feet; thence South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 329.28 feet; thence North 62 degrees 40 minutes 42 seconds West 225.04 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 118.74 feet; thence North 1 degree 47 minutes 28 seconds East 200.69 feet to Point of Beginning; and excepting

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W; thence South 0 degree 51 minutes 10 seconds West 1182 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 629.5 feet; thence South 1 degree 53 minutes 54 seconds West 554.42 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 463.72 feet; thence South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 329.28 feet to Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 275 feet; thence North 88 degrees 6 minutes 59 seconds West 203.28 feet; thence North 1 degree 47 minutes 28 seconds East 345 feet; thence South 88 degrees 7 minutes East 118.74 feet; thence South 62 degrees 40 minutes 42 seconds East 225.04 feet to Point of Beginning.

**Parcel B:**

The East of Section 18, T26N, R3W lying North of the South 1/8th line of said section.

**Parcel C:**

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W lying between the West 1/8th line and South of the Northern Right of Way line of the Lake State Railroad.

**Parcel D:**

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W, lying West of the Eastern Right of Way line of Business Loop I-75 and North of the Southern Right of Way line of M-72 highway; and

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W, beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 7, T26N, R3W, thence North to the intersection of the Centerline of Oliver Street; thence Northerly along said Centerline to the North line of the AuSable River; thence Westerly along said North line of the AuSable River to the North Right of Way line of the Lake States Railroad; thence Southerly along said Lake States Railroad Right of Way line to the South line of Section 7, T26N, R8W; thence East to the Point of Beginning; and

That part of the Original Plat of the City of Grayling located south of the Centerline of Peninsular Avenue, extended to the North line of the AuSable River and north of the North Right of Way of the Lake State Railroad, and south of Lake Street, except lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of Block 3, and except lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of block 14, and except lots 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Block 15, and except lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, Block 16, and except lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Block 18; and

That portion of lots 1, 2, 3, 10, 11 and 12 of Block 11, and lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 of Block 20 and the adjacent portion of Spruce Street, in the Original Plat of the City of Grayling; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling lying northwest of lots 6 and 7, Block 27; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling known as lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Block 27 and all of Block 31 of the City of Grayling; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling known as lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Block 32 of the city of Grayling; and

Parcel C and Block 10 of the original plat of the City of Grayling.

**Parcel E:**

That part of Section 8, T26N, R3W known as Lot 1 of Martha M. Brink's Addition to the City of Grayling.

All aspects of the establishment of the Downtown Development Authority and the boundaries of the downtown district will be open for discussion at the public hearing. The City Council will provide an opportunity for interested persons to speak and be heard and shall receive and consider communications in writing with reference thereto. The proposed Ordinance establishing the Authority and designating the boundaries of the downtown district is on file with the City Clerk and available for public inspection.

Michele A. Moshier  
City Clerk



# LEGAL ACTION

## Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

As a debt collector, we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Notify (248) 362-6100 if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Francis E. McRae Jr. and Lillian A. McRae, husband and wife of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Fifth Third Bank, successor-in-interest by merger to Old Kent Bank dated the 21st day of September, A.D. 1998, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 12th day of October, A.D. 1998, in Liber 465 of Crawford Records, on page 247, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of \$44,749.45 (Forty four thousand, Seven hundred forty nine dollars and forty five cents) including interest there on at 7.99% (seven point nine nine) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of March, A.D., 2003, at 10 a.m. o'clock said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the county building, in Grayling, Michigan, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Grayling, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Lot(s) 36, Grayling Mobile Estates No. 2, according to the plat thereof

Commonly known as: 302 Alexia Lane Tax ID: 040-45-281-00-036-00

The redemption period shall be from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 13, 2003  
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis  
Co., L.P.A.  
Daniel E. Best, (P-58501)  
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgagee

Weltman, Weinberg & Reis  
Co., L.P.A.  
755 W. Big Beaver Road, Suite 1820  
Troy, Michigan 48064  
WWR# 02694431  
Property to be posted:  
302 Alexia Lane  
Grayling, MI 49738  
-13-20-27-06-13

Dated: February 13, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team S (248) 593-1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200312634  
Team S  
-13-20-27-06

case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.  
Dated: February 13, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team D (248) 593-1309  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200312104  
Team D  
-13-20-27-06

229 Court Street  
P.O. Box 405  
Cheboygan, MI 49721  
(231) 627-4351  
-30-06-13-20-27

## STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL DISTRICT CRAWFORD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION/POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION 200 WEST MICHIGAN AVENUE GRAYLING, MICHIGAN 49738

Case No. 03 5971 CH (D)

Lynn G. Kruse, Trustee of the Goetsch Living Trust  
Frances T. Hixon  
Estate of Phyllis A. Brock  
Ellen Eid  
Estate of Roland E. Towne  
Faye D. Sullivan  
Polly Mae Bechtol  
Estate of Kimberly Ford  
Peggy Anderson  
Estate of Laurice Anderson  
Estate of Jeffery Ford  
Estate of Alice G. Murray  
Estate of John Daniel Murray  
Dale F. Murray  
Fredric R. Murray  
Terry Douglas Strickland  
Estate of Mabel Larson  
Helen A. Thomey  
TO: All Defendants listed  
IT IS ORDERED:

You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to partition the following-described properties: SW/4 of NW/4 of Sec 16, T25N, R4W AND SE/4 of SE/4 of Sec 18, T25N, R4W, Beaver Creek Township Crawford County, Michigan. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before April 10, 2003. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

Dated: February 18, 2003  
Judge F. Murphy (for)  
Honorable Alton T. Davis  
David R. Sabin P19822  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
115 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, MI 49738  
989/348-5588  
-27-06-13



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**The Internal Revenue Service**

## LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Lovells Township Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals each have two, three and four year terms expiring March 31, 2003. Any resident interested in applying for either board position please call the Lovells Township Supervisor at 348-9215 by March 11, 2003. The offices are open on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 to 3.

Cheryl Hopp  
Lovells Township Clerk

## FREDERIC TWP. NOTICE BOARD OF REVIEW

The Frederic Township Board of Review will hold its organizational meeting on Tues., March 4, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. at the Frederic Twp. Hall, Kelly Ave., Frederic, MI 49733. Phone: 989-348-8778.

The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers wishing to appeal their assessments as follows

Mon., March 10, 2003	2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Sat., March 15, 2003	9:00 A.M. - 12 Noon 1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Ronald D. Lewis  
Frederic Twp. Supervisor

## South Branch Township

### NOTICE OF BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING & ANNUAL MEETING FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL FUNDS.

The South Branch Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed Township Budget for fiscal year 2003/04 at South Branch Township Hall, 5245 N. M-18, Roscommon, MI 48653, on March 11, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.; Annual Meeting March 11, 2003 after regular meeting.

**The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of the hearing.**

A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the South Branch Township Hall.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended, MCLA 41.72a(2)(3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act. The South Branch Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 10 days notice to the Township Board. Individuals with disabilities should contact the Board by writing or calling Laura Smith, Clerk, South Branch Township Hall, PO Box 606, Roscommon, MI 48653. (989) 275-8232.

### Notice South Branch Township

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Open Meetings Act, the Township of South Branch does hereby establish that there will be one (1) regular monthly meeting held by the Township Board as follows:

- All meetings will be held at the Township Hall, 5245 N. M-18, Roscommon.
- Meetings will be held on the second (2nd) Tuesday of each month and will commence promptly at 7:00 p.m.
- Dates of the regular meetings are as follows:  

April 8, 2003	May 13, 2003	June 10, 2003
July 8, 2003	August 12, 2003	September 9, 2003
October 14, 2003	November 11, 2003	December 9, 2003
January 13, 2004	February 10, 2004	March 9, 2004

**Annual Meeting: March 11, 2003**

A summary of the Adopted Budget for 2003/04 and Financial Statement for year ending March 31, 2003 are available for public inspection at the South Branch Township Hall located at 5245 N. M-18, Roscommon

\*\*South Branch Township will be taking applications for all job openings that might occur. Please feel free to call the office at (989) 275-8232 and ask for Laura and/or Dee.\*\*

## CITY OF GRAYLING PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is to advise you and all interested persons that I have scheduled a Planning Commission Public hearing concerning:

The Zoning map of The City of Grayling regarding the West side of the Business Loop from the AuSable River to Charles Street and the East side of the Business Loop from Ingham Street to Charles Street changing the Zoning from a R-1 District (Single Family Residential) to a C-3 District (Highway Commercial).

The Public Hearing to consider this matter is scheduled for 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 11, 2003 at the Grayling City Hall, 5688 M-72 West, Grayling, MI 49738. All interested parties are hereby requested to attend said Public Hearing and/or submit such data as may be pertinent to the case at hand. Data may be submitted to the Grayling City Office, 5688 M-72 West, P.O. Box 549, Grayling, MI 49738 and inquiries may be directed to City Manager Allen Lowe by calling 989-348-2131.

Michele Moshier  
City Clerk

## NOTICE LOVELLS TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETINGS

As required by the provisions of the OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT PA 267, the Lovells Township Board hereby lists and posts the dates, times, and places of all its regular meetings during the 2003-2004 fiscal year as follows:

All regular board meetings will be held at the Lovells Township Hall.

All regular board meetings will be held the second Tuesday of each month and will commence promptly at 7:00 p.m. on the following dates:

April 8, 2003	October 14, 2003
May 13, 2003	November 11, 2003
June 10, 2003	December 9, 2003
July 8, 2003	January 13, 2004
August 12, 2003	February 10, 2004
September 9, 2003	March 9, 2004

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD and ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS will meet on Monday, April 7, 2003 and Monday, October 6, 2003.

BOARD OF REVIEW will meet for an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 4th, at 4:00 p.m., with taxpayers Monday, March 10th from 9:00 to 4:00 p.m. and Thursday, March 13th from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. The board also meets Tuesday, July 22nd and Tuesday, December 9th, 2003.

All changes and special meetings will be posted eighteen (18) hours in advance.

Cheryl Hopp  
Lovells Township Clerk

## LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The budget hearing for the General Fund, Landfill Fund, Liquor Fund, and Library Fund for fiscal year 2003-2004 will be held at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Lovells Township Board on Tuesday, March 11, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.

The budgets will be accepted at a special meeting of the board on Thursday, March 27, 2003 at 10:00 a.m.

Cheryl Hopp  
Lovells Township Clerk

## CITY OF GRAYLING BOARD OF REVIEW

The City of Grayling Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall located on M-72 West.

The Board will reconvene at the same location to address and meet with taxpayers on Monday, March 10, 2003, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. There will also be a meeting with the public on Saturday, March 15, 2003 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Petitioners are requested to bring data supporting their contentions of values when meeting with the Board. Petitioners will be addressed on a "first-come-first-served" basis.

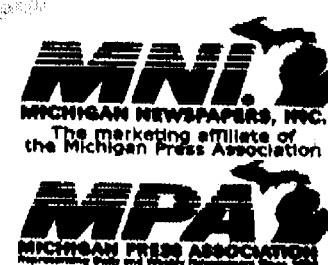
Class	Factor	RATIO
Commercial	1.0000	50.00
Industrial	1.0000	50.00
Residential	1.0000	50.00
Personal Property	1.0000	50.00

This notice is given in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended, MCLA41.72(2A)(3) and ADA.

Larry D. Hunter  
Assessor  
City of Grayling

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## LEGAL ACTION

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sharon Larkin a married woman (original mortgagors) to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., Mortgagee, dated February 15, 2002, and recorded on February 19, 2002 in Liber 570 on Page 410 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-One Thousand Eighty-Eight and 54/100 dollars (\$51,088.54), including interest at 7.500% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M., on April 2, 2003.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, thence West 4 rods for a point of beginning, thence West 10 rods, thence North 40 rods, thence East 10 rods, thence South 40 rods to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 27, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team X (248) 593-1302  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200312907  
Team X

-27-06-13-20

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

**MORTGAGE SALE**: Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made on July 27, 2000 with Gerald D. Smith and Susan M. Smith, husband and wife, as Mortgagor, and Diversified Mortgage Finance Company, as Mortgagee, and recorded on August 14, 2000 in the Office of the Register of

Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, in Liber 514, Page 625, and was assigned to Northpointe Bank on July 27, 2000, and the Assignment was filed on August 14, 2000 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, in Liber 514, Page 635, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid as of the date of this notice the sum of \$32,627.24 inclusive of accrued interest, and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt or any part thereof secured by said Mortgage;

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on Wednesday, March 26, 2003, at 10:00 a.m., at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder or bidders at public auction or vendue, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid on said Mortgage, together with interest rate of 17.95% percent, all allowable costs of sale and applicable attorney fees, the lands and premises in said Mortgage mentioned and described as follows:

Legally Described as: Land situated in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Described as: Beginning at a point which is 492 feet E and 330 feet N of the SW corner of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of S17, T26, R2W; thence E298 feet to the right of way of the county road; thence northeasterly along said right of way 186.2 feet; thence S 165 feet to the point of beginning. Being part of the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of S17, T26, R2W. Tax ID: 200404001 70522000

The period within which the above premises may be redeemed shall expire Six months from the date of sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; MSA 27A.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 31, 2002  
Patrick Timothy Reid, II  
REID AND REID  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
Business & Trade Center  
200 N. Washington Square, Ste. 400  
Lansing, Michigan 48933-1384  
Telephone: (517) 487-6566  
-06-13-20-07-06

### STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 46TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION/POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION 200 WEST MICHIGAN AVENUE GRAYLING, MICHIGAN 49738

Case No. 02-5949-CH  
Jeffrey Norman Nelson, Jr.  
c/o Curtis G. Broughton, P-47200  
800 W. Cedar Street  
P.O. Box 1159  
Standish, Michigan 48658  
(989) 846-2770  
Edwin G. Nelson  
10842 Chase Bridge  
Roscommon, Michigan 48653  
TO: Edwin G. Nelson

#### IT IS ORDERED:

1. You are being sued by plaintiff in this court to quiet title to land in South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, further described as:

Land situated in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford and State of Michigan, to wit:

Parcel 4: Being a part of the Southeast one-quarter (1/4) of the Southeast one-quarter (1/4), Section 28, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, described as: Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 28 and running thence North 619.3 feet to the Point of Beginning, thence North 89° 18' West 711.66 feet; thence North 0° 03' East 178.0 feet; thence South 89° 18' East 711.51 feet; thence South 178.0 feet to the Point of Beginning. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before March 31, 2003. If you fail to do so, a default judgement may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

2. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in Crawford County Avalanche for three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

3. Plaintiff shall post a copy of this order in the courthouse, and at the Crawford County Sheriff's Department and at the Roscommon City Post Office for three continuous weeks, and shall file proof of posting in this court.

4. A copy of this order shall be sent to Edwin G. Nelson at the last known address by registered mail, return receipt requested, before the date of the last publication, and the affidavit of mailing shall be filed with this court.

Dated: January 31, 2003  
Judge Alton T. Davis (P-24472)  
Curtis G. Broughton, P-47200  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
Broughton & Vollbach Law Office  
808 W. Cedar Street

P.O. Box 1159  
Standish, Michigan 48658  
(989) 846-2770

-27-06-13

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE** - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kenley Bielby and Caroline Rosser, a single man and a single woman (original mortgagors) to Northwestern Savings Bank & Trust, Mortgagee, dated December 23, 2000, and recorded on January 5, 2001 in Liber 526 on Page 164 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority, a public body corporate and politic of the State of Michigan, as assignee by an assignment dated December 23, 2000, which was recorded on January 5, 2001, in Liber 526 on Page 171 Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Five and 18/100 dollars (\$78,865.18), including interest at 7.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front


door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M., on April 2, 2003. Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 2, Block 17, of Roffee's Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 11, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 27, 2003  
For information, please call:  
Team J (248) 593-1311  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200313924  
Team J

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## 2003 CRAWFORD COUNTY TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS

CLASS	ASSESSED	EQUALIZED	RATIOS	FACTORS
<b>BEAVER CREEK - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	274,600	340,418	40.32	1.2401
201 Commercial	2,687,000	3,404,714	39.46	1.2671
301 Industrial	13,562,300	13,562,300	50.00	1.0000
401 Residential	40,448,800	44,913,169	45.03	1.1104
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	56,972,600	62,220,601	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	20,529,300	20,723,082	49.45	1.0111
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	77,501,900	82,943,683	-	-
<b>FREDERIC - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	3,477,400	3,478,096	49.99	1.0002
201 Commercial	1,815,600	2,033,147	44.65	1.1198
301 Industrial	327,800	408,321	40.14	1.2456
401 Residential	44,942,300	49,052,936	45.81	1.0915
501 Timber Cut-Over	1,894,800	2,332,349	40.62	1.2309
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	52,457,900	57,304,849	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	6,969,800	6,969,837	50.00	1.0000
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	59,427,700	64,274,686	-	-
<b>GRAYLING - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	1,903,900	2,369,803	40.17	1.2447
201 Commercial	8,204,800	9,459,073	43.37	1.1529
301 Industrial	22,003,800	24,467,439	44.97	1.1119
401 Residential	161,430,900	174,746,590	46.19	1.0825
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	193,543,400	211,042,905	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	6,033,400	6,034,682	49.99	1.0002
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	199,576,800	217,077,587	-	-
<b>LOVELLS - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	3,682,900	3,975,497	46.32	1.0794
201 Commercial	1,014,000	1,112,574	45.57	1.0972
301 Industrial	-	-	-	-
401 Residential	51,237,500	59,509,292	43.05	1.1614
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	55,934,400	64,597,363	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	3,860,900	3,860,914	49.99	1.0002
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	59,795,300	68,458,277	-	-
<b>MAPLE FOREST - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	312,800	320,492	48.80	1.0246
201 Commercial	516,800	568,162	45.48	1.0994
301 Industrial	1,139,600	1,139,600	50.00	1.0000
401 Residential	18,404,400	20,721,009	44.41	1.1259
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	20,373,600	22,749,263	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	1,704,700	1,706,686	49.94	1.0012
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	22,078,300	24,455,949	-	-
<b>SOUTH BRANCH - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	2,985,700	3,253,814	45.88	1.0898
201 Commercial	1,941,600	2,465,837	39.37	1.2700
301 Industrial	-	-	-	-
401 Residential	80,869,900	90,803,840	44.53	1.1228
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	443,300	656,935	33.74	1.4819
TOTAL REAL	86,240,500	97,180,426	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	2,974,400	2,990,959	49.72	1.0056
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	89,214,900	100,171,385	-	-
<b>CITY OF GRAYLING - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2003</b>				
101 Agricultural	-	-	-	-
201 Commercial	28,611,100	34,646,525	41.29	1.2109
301 Industrial	4,760,100	5,768,420	41.26	1.2118
401 Residential	17,172,500	18,156,587	47.29	1.0573
501 Timber Cut-Over	-	-	-	-
601 Developmental	-	-	-	-
TOTAL REAL	50,543,700	58,571,532	-	-
TOTAL PERSONAL	6,159,600	6,159,384	50.00	1.0000
TOTAL TOWNSHIP	56,703,200	64,730,916	-	-

Prepared by: Crawford County Equalization Department

### GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Grayling Township's Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, Michigan 49738; (989) 348-4361.

The Board of Review will re-convene at the same address to meet with taxpayers starting at 9:00 a.m. Monday, March 10, 2003, until 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. This year the Board of Review will also be held on Thursday, March 13th from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday March 15th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Petitioners will be received on a "first-come-first-served basis" and can also protest by mail.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO
Agricultural	50.00
Commercial	49.24
Industrial	49.58
Residential	49.25

Terry Wright, Supervisor  
Monica Ashton, Clerk

### NOTICE BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting March 4, 2003 at 12:00 noon at the Beaver Creek Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the 2003 Assessment Roll. The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers Monday, March 10, 2003 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, March 13, 2003 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling.

The following are tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Beaver Creek Township:

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	TENTATIVE FACTOR
Agricultural	40.32	1.2400
Commercial	39.46	1.2671
Industrial	46.77	1.0691
Residential	45.03	1.1103

Lee Riley  
Supervisor



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## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago February 28, 1980

Crawford County's new ambulance arrived Friday and was on display for area residents at an Open House held at the county courthouse. A brief dedication service was held on Saturday.

Over 30 snowmobilers headed out Saturday morning on the 50 mile Easter Seal Pledge Ride from Grayling to Lovells and back, with proceeds going to the Easter Seal Society.

The Sno-Fari was co-sponsored by the Grayling Chamber of Commerce and Arctic Cat.

Eighteen additional housing units for Senior Citizens are anticipated for Grayling, providing final approval comes for the go-ahead by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

February 21 marked the Snow Sculpture contest at the Grayling Elementary School. Miss Vargo's fifth grade class won first place.

Matson's Adult Foster Care Home was the setting last Thursday when members of Brownie Troop No. 2007 visited Mrs. Inez Colleen in observance of World Association Day. Mrs. Colleen has been very active in Girl Scouting over the years and the Brownies honored her by presenting her with a World Association Pin. The Brownies who took part in the visit were Deanna Phelps, Tammy Fenton, Theresa Minnerick, Jenny Gillon and Erin Bindschattel.

The Crawford AuSable School District will be receiving \$129,602 in State Aid and Title I Revenue.

Grayling Elementary School fourth grade student Steve Lehti sold

the winning raffle ticket in the drawing for a patchwork quilt, proceeds for which will be used to purchase library equipment for the school.

Jeanette Wieland was the only medal winner in the Regional Ski Meet action finishing 6th in slalom out of 100 girls.

The Girls Ski Team finished 5th out of the 17 teams entered.

The Middle School exploded last Friday night as a basket by guard Scott Hale with four seconds on the clock enabled the Vikes to hit the century mark for the first time in many a moon as the squad humbled Rogers City 101-54.

Two of eight Grayling wrestlers competing in last Saturday's Regional matches will advance to the State Finals.

Tim Jones joins Burt Partello in quest of a state championship, the latter making a return visit this year.

### 46 Years Ago February 28, 1957

The new B. and C. Supermarket located in the Upstate Shopping Center on US-27 south of the river is planning an open house this Sunday.

The preview will give people a chance to inspect the new supermarket, which features 6,000 square feet and 45 feet of refrigerated service yourself meat cases.

One senior at Grayling High School has been commended by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation for distinguished performance in its nation-wide search for students of unusual ability.

The student honored is Ronald L. Schofield. He has also been named Michigan state runner-up in the 1957 Merit Scholarship competition.

The Frederic Eagles clinched the Snowland Class D Conference championship last Tuesday night when they rolled over Bellaire 62 to 34 for their seventeenth win of the season and their ninth straight loop victory.

The Eagles will be seeking their first perfect season in school's history as they travel to Alba this Tuesday.

The Grayling High Vikings will travel to East Jordan for the finale of the regular season in basketball season.

Last week, the Vikings rolled over Kalkaska in a 56 to 46 win.

To finance its every-growing services in this county, the American Red Cross will launch its annual campaign for funds on March 1. In Crawford County, the goal is \$2,006.00. Mrs. C.G. Clippert Chapter Chairman said of this amount, 63.56 percent stays in the county.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gust are opening a new business, the Automotive Parts and Supply Company, which will operate as a wholesale outlet to local garages and service stations.

Three hundred ninety Crawford County children were inoculated with the Salk vaccine shots for immunity to polio.

### 69 Years Ago March 1, 1934

The principal topic during the month of February was largely the weather. Sub-zero temperatures prevailed during the month that will leave memories that won't be soon forgotten. The coldest day was February 8th when the temperature reached 45 degrees below zero.

For the third consecutive year, the Grayling Lumberjacks won the basketball trophy in the third annual Gold Medal Tournament.

Grayling wound up the regular schedule by plastering a couple of defeats on the floundering West

Branch outfit. The Regulars turned in a 36-13 win and the Reserves copped their game by an 8-5 margin.

Leo Jorgenson, street commissioner, reports scores of families out of water because of frozen pipes underground. Some lines have been frozen even while faucets have been left running.

Take your yardstick and locate the 30 inch mark. That is how thick the ice is on Lake Margrethe. At School Section Lake it is 24 inches thick. And then measure off 5 1/2 feet and you can see how deep the frost goes down in the ground around Grayling.

At an early hour this morning the farm home of Supervisor and Mrs. Frank Love in Beaver Creek was destroyed by fire.

### 92 Years Ago March 2, 1911

The "Iceman" has his houses all filled with the congealed fluid so he does not worry if the sun does shine.

March struck us as a roaring lion with almost hurricane winds and snow hit the area.

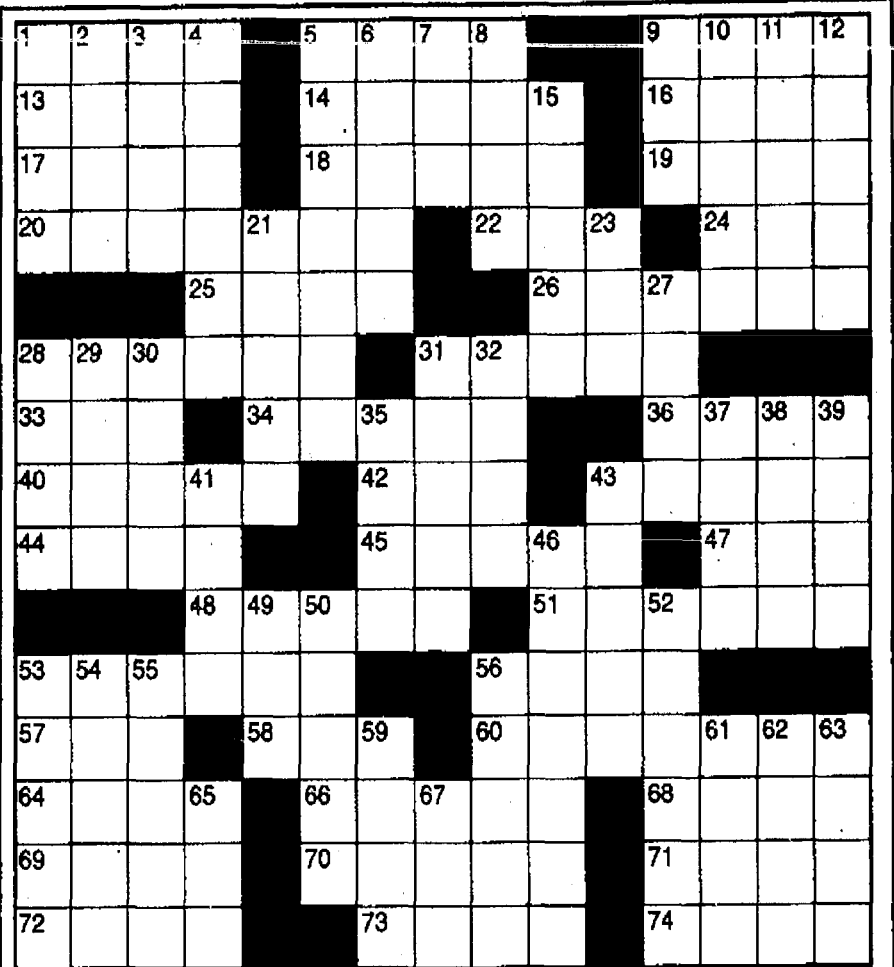
On March 1, 1909, M.A. Bates started the construction of the city telephone, having secured only 68 subscribers. Today he has 192 in use and orders enough to pass the 200 mark.

The band concert under the direction of Mr. Ed G. Clark given at the Opera House last Wednesday evening proved to be one of their most successful attempts at such work.

William Herberling of Beaver Creek has sold his farm to F.F. Hopkins of Hooperston, Illinois, or traded for property in that state, to which he will move.

At the Republican County convention last week, there were but half the delegates present on account of bad weather and roads.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. Letterman's competitor
5. Oppositionist
9. Unhearing
13. Equal
14. "I got the horse right here" types
16. Bear, to Brutus
17. Ladylike gatherings
18. Charge in a suit against a tabloid
19. Remove from office
20. Claims
22. Raincoat, for short
24. Socks, to Chelsea
25. Garçon's aid
26. A penny
28. Spring flowers
31. Pyromania
33. Rep.'s opponent
34. Musician's practice piece
36. Contended
40. Steak sandwich topper
42. Fingers count
43. Recurrent interval
44. Part of SLR
45. Sacrificial site
47. Freud's article
48. Slim and agile
51. Lavin and Blair
53. Mantilla wearer

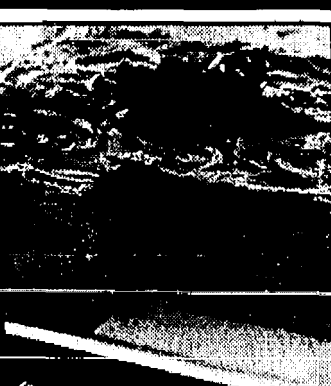
56. Street performer
57. One of Frank's exes
58. Tool set
60. Eternal
64. Perfume
66. Rabbit fur
68. Red gin
69. Sabe
70. Milquetoast's lack
71. The Grapes of Wrath locale: abbr.
72. Actor Stoltz
73. Zipped
74. Not once, poetically

### DOWN

1. "Woman in Your Life" (2 wds.)
2. Stuntman Knievel
3. Newman's Hud foil
4. Beginnings
5. Minimally
6. Like a schoolyard at recess
7. Craft for a storybook trio
8. Filler
9. Twosome
10. Blow, à la Etna
11. Ledger entry
12. Like some meat
15. Places haphazardly
21. Soul singer Al
23. Magnon
27. A deadly sin
28. Matinee
29. M. Magritte
30. Poker player's declaration
31. Fred's Lady Be Good costar
32. \$200, on Boardwalk
35. Idaho's neighbor
37. Bumped-off, street-style
38. East of Eden director
39. TV rooms
41. Christiania, today
43. Gum chewing, in Singapore
46. Trued up
49. Vex
50. Waggies
52. Victor at Trafalgar
53. Gets in Your Eyes
54. Downy duck
55. Model Campbell
56. Augusta's locale
59. Emulates Bill Robinson
61. Actress Sommer
62. Only
63. Cook quickly
65. Legendary avian
67. Great Expectations hero

### ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK



## Milk Chocolate Cake

- 1-3/4 cups granulated sugar
  - 1-1/2 cups (3 sticks) butter, softened, divided
  - 3 large eggs, divided
  - 4 squares (1 oz. each) milk chocolate, melted
  - 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
  - 1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
  - 1 teaspoon baking soda
  - 1/4 teaspoon salt
  - 1 cup buttermilk
  - 1 package (16 oz.) confectioners' sugar
  - 4 milk chocolate bars (1.55 oz. each), melted
  - 3 tablespoons whipping cream
1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Grease and flour two 9x9-inch baking pans.
  2. Combine granulated sugar and 1 cup butter in a large bowl. Beat with an electric mixer until creamy.

3. Separate egg yolks and whites. Add egg yolks to sugar mixture and mix well. Stir in melted chocolate and 1 teaspoon of vanilla.
4. Sift together flour, baking soda and salt. Add flour mixture and buttermilk alternately to the egg yolk mixture, beating until smooth.
5. Beat egg whites in a small bowl until stiff peaks form. Fold into the batter. Spoon into prepared baking pans. Bake until a toothpick inserted in centers of cakes comes out clean, about 25 to 30 minutes. Transfer layers to wire racks to cool.
6. Beat confectioners' sugar and remaining butter in medium bowl for 3 minutes. Stir in chocolate bars, whipping cream and remaining vanilla. Spread frosting between layers and over top and sides of cake.

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### DID YOU KNOW

As a flounder grows, the eye on its lower side moves gradually around to the upper side of its head.

## HOROSCOPES

For the Week of February 27, 2003



December 22-January 19

Sticking to your budget has finally paid off. All of your bills are taken care of, and you have money left over. Don't spend it all in one place.



March 21-April 19

Someone close to you is facing a health crisis. Be supportive and do what you can to ease their fears. Invite some friends over and have a little party to help cheer them up.



June 22-July 22

You have been invited to yet another party! Your calendar is full, so turn it down politely—you don't want to step on toes—and return the invite as soon as possible.



September 23-October 22

A spat has occurred between two of your friends. Don't get involved. You have more important things to do than play the role of mediator.



January 20-February 18

Surprise! An old friend returns. Get reacquainted with a night on the town. A family member asks for a favor. Don't say yes unless you're certain you can follow through.



April 20-May 20

Your boss has an important matter to discuss with you. Listen carefully and offer input only when asked. An older relative needs some advice.



July 23-August 22

A little piece of your history turns up where you least expect it. Have some fun with it. Don't forget about a promise you made to a friend.



October 23-November 21

Your coworkers have made some unflattering remarks about an organization you would like to join. Don't listen. They don't have all of the facts.



January 19-February 20

Exciting news is headed your way—are you ready? An old family friend makes a proposal. Talk it over with your family first before accepting it.



May 21-June 21

You don't realize it, but you have made a significant contribution to a young friend's life just by being there. Think of what you could do if you made more time for them.



August 23-September 22

You've modified your diet and you are feeling better. Now take it one step further and consult your doctor for an exercise routine.



November 22-December 21

A family member snaps at you. Don't take it personally. They have a lot on their mind and didn't mean to take it out on you. Be supportive.

## Adopt a Pet



These handsome guys are brothers, they are neutered and have their shots. They are 9 months to 1 year old and are very friendly and loving. Please call (989) 348-4117 for more information on opening your home to a homeless animal. Or, e-mail: animal\_director@yahoo.com.

Winter is especially hard on the water buckets used to haul water to the dogs at the shelter. We could use some donations of 2 1/2, 3, and 5 gallon buckets. We are also in need of blankets, throw rugs, towels, bleach, laundry soap and dishwashing liquid. Any help the community can provide is most appreciated, especially by the animals.

There are still a few Dog-Opoly, Cat-Opoly, Wild Animal-Opoly and Ocean-Opoly games available! Cost is a donation \$25 each and all proceeds go to help the animals in our care. Creature Comforts Cookbooks are still available for a donation of \$15. Call the shelter for details or stop in the Avalanche for either item.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at: 508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 1 pm; Sun. and Holidays 8 am - 11 am After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week		Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)							
Date	H	L	Snow	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
2/19	34	20							
2/20	28	6							
2/21	46	21		High 23	High 27	High 30	High 30	High 29	High 20
2/22	48	19		Low 4	Low 6	Low 9	Low 8	Low -4	Low 4
2/23	22	0							
2/24	15	1	.25	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Few Snow Showers	Few Snow Showers	Snow Showers	Few Snow Showers
2/25	13	-13							



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## Crawford County Avalanche

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### 1. Real Estate

**MOBILE HOME FOR SALE** by owner. Two bedroom, bath and a half off Manistee River Rd., little over 1/2 an acre. Call (989) 348-5741. (-13-20-27-6/1)

### 1. Real Estate

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### 1. Real Estate

**BECOME A HOMEOWNER** Northern Homes CDC is offering free homebuyer Counseling classes for the MSHDA sponsored program. Links to Homeownership, families with a related minor child living in the home, or a pregnant applicant/co-applicant who meet financial program guidelines are eligible. These classes can assist you with potential down payment assistance, credit repair, pre-purchase inspections and maintenance training. Classes are now forming. Call Alice Yeoman at 866-637-1834 Toll Free. Northern Homes CDC is a private non-profit organization whose mission is to create affordable housing opportunities in Northern Michigan. Equal Housing Opportunity. (LR4/3/02/1)

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### 1. Real Estate

**SPRING DREAMS** Own a Brand New three bedroom, two bath home for less than you are paying for rent. You pick the floor plan, you pick the colors, you pick the payment. May qualify for Crawford County Housing Assistance programs. Contact North Crest Homes today for details. (989) 732-1555 (-27-6-13/1)

**LOW LOW MORTGAGE RATES** Loan Closing three weeks or less. Northland Area Credit Union. 1-800-336-2328 (8/8/02tf/1)

**NEWLY BUILT** 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath. Two car attached garage. Five miles east of Grayling. \$92,000 (989) 348-4840 (LR3/27/03/1)

### 2. For Rent

**MOBILE HOME FOR RENT** No pets. Old 27 north, Timberly Village Mobile Home Park. (8/22/02tf/2)

**EFFICIENCY CABIN** \$295 month, \$295 security, \$50 cleaning fee. Utilities not included. (989) 348-5124 (-27-6/2)

### 2. For Rent

**THREE BEDROOM, TWO BATH HOME** at Lake Margrethe. Available March 1. \$600 per month plus deposit and references. One year lease. No smoking and no pets. (989) 348-8627 (2/13/03tf/2)

**BUSINESS OR OFFICE SPACE** for rent. 640 square feet. Excellent traffic location on Federal Highway. One and 1/4 mile west of I-75 Exit 244. (989) 821-5995. (LR3/27/03/2)

**TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT** in town. \$425 per month. Call (989) 348-2473. (2/7/2)

**OFFICE/RETAIL SPACE** for rental, 1,200 sq. ft, immediate opening in neon plaza, Kalkaska. Call Sandy (231) 258-8377 between 9:00 to 3:00. (10/24/02tf/2)

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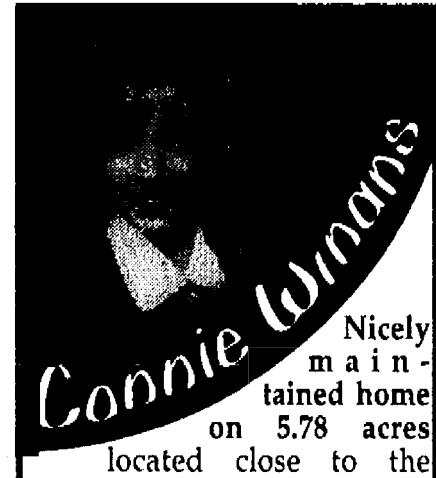
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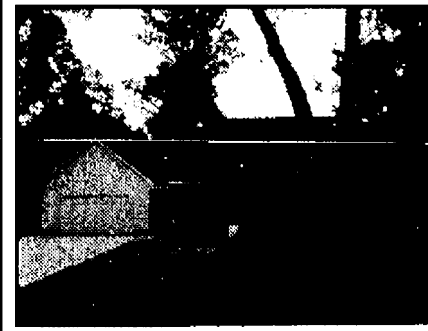
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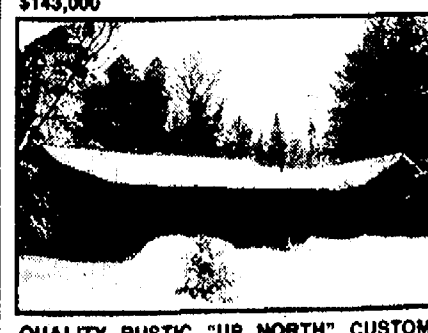
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**NEW CUSTOM BUILT HOME, 1 YEAR BUILDER'S WARRANTY!** Gorgeous new home in newly developed subdivision. 2,280 s.f., 3 B/R, 2 1/2 baths, open staircase to loft, 17' ceiling in large living room, ceramic tile in bath, utility, and entry, maple cabinets, oak & maple flooring in dining and kitchen, knock-down drywall, Andersen Windows, 24x30 finished garage, colored brick look drive, and colored patio. Possible custom colors at buyer's choice. CH-1559 \$199,000



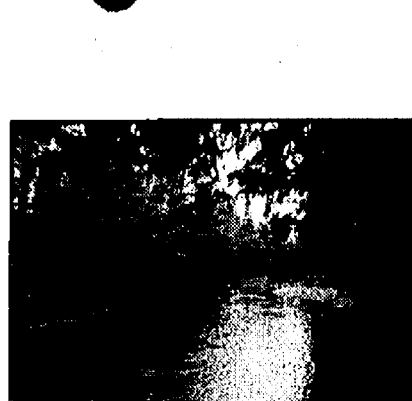
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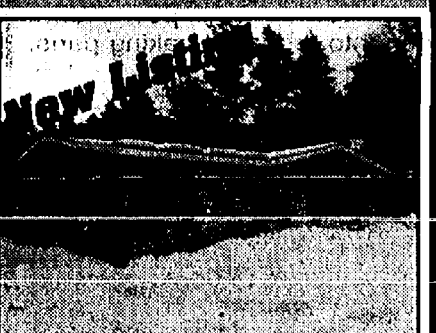
**Above the Crowd!**



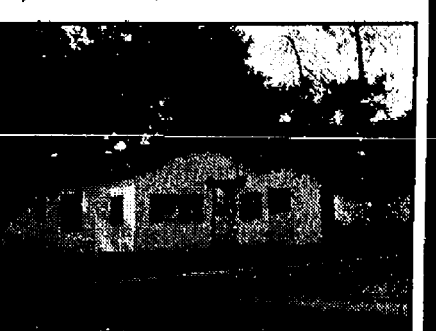
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**SECLUDED ESTATE ON 1.76 ACRES WITH additional 2 lots available.** This well crafted home is immaculate and offers an open floor plan with 1170 sq. ft. with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Armstrong tongue and groove hardwood floors throughout, oak kitchen cabinets with double duty island serves as work space and snack bar, cathedral ceilings, crestone vinyl windows, ceramic floor in bath, drywall throughout, 2 car attached garage. Comes completely furnished except few items. State land and snowmobile trails 1/4 mile. AuSable River 3.4 mile. Turn key. CH-1672 \$95,900



**CLOSE TO STATE LAND AND THE MANISTEE RIVER.** Take a closer look...Very eye appealing home. Recently remodeled home offers vaulted ceilings, walkout patio door onto back deck. Family room & kitchen combination is perfect for the cook that does not want to be separated from family and guests. Beautiful natural fireplace off dining room. Oak doors and trim throughout, new bath, new carpet. Lots of kitchen cabinets and counter space. Immaculately kept home is turn key. CS-1701 \$69,500



**DOLLARS MAKE SENSE** when invested in this two bedroom, one bath home offers 1,178 sq. ft. Large kitchen and dining room combination. Large utility room. 2 car detached garage. 15.5 x 8 enclosed porch and 10 x 30 covered porch. Convenient to shopping, schools, churches, etc. Bank selling as is condition with \$3,000 floor allowance! CS-1629 \$49,900



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Comfortable Home with panorama of the Ausable! Think Spring! With 222' of river frontage that offers a panoramic view of the Ausable River, this 4 BR, 2 bath home sits about 30' off the River's bank and includes 1/3 ownership of the 3 lots across the river. Over 2000 sq. ft., nestled among mature hardwoods, with storage throughout and a black-top drive-way. \$189,900 #225349

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**Beautiful Views!** Very unique 3 BR, 2 bath home that sits on top of a hill with a beautiful view. Home offers an all wood interior, metal roof, newer vinyl windows, huge garage (32 x 46), adjoins state land, snowmobile trails in all directions and not far from cross country skiing trails. \$99,500 #223322

**Nice Mobile with Land Contract!** Nice 3 bedroom mobile, ready to move into. Land contract terms: \$43,500, 15% down, 10.5% interest, 3-year balloon, or \$39,500 cash or new mortgage. \$39,500 #223326

**Spacious, Private, Situated on Over 5 Acres!** This spacious 3 BR home is situated on a very private 5.5+ acre parcel with an abundance of wildlife. State land is your neighbor. Home offers many features, including garden tub, large deck to enjoy the evening watching the deer, family room, 2-year old pole building, dog pen, shed for extra storage, log hunting blind, appliances & more. Furniture is negotiable. \$149,900 #223552

**Location-Location-Location!** Commercial lot located in the City of Grayling. Great downtown location on the I-75 Business Loop. High traffic volume. This lot is level and ready to build on. \$49,900 #14921

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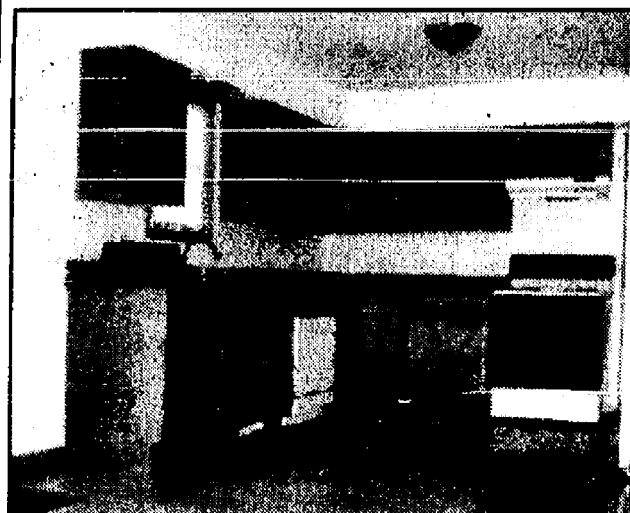
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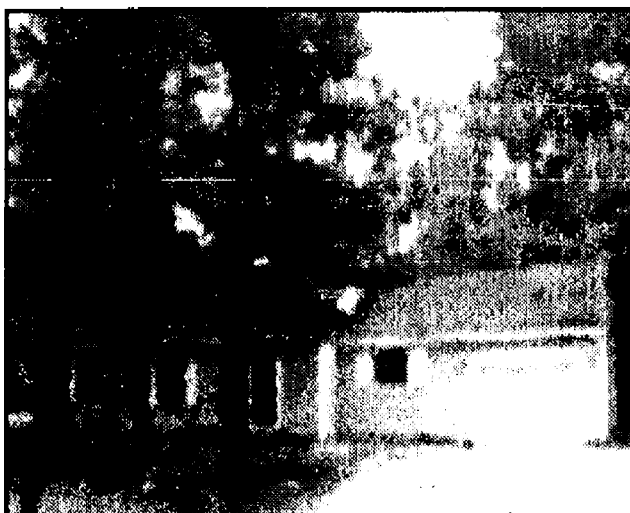
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Failure to file for benefits within 210 days of certification or by September 2, 2003, could result in loss of entitlement to some benefits.

An informational meeting for qualified workers will be held Tuesday, February 25, 2003, at 2:00 p.m. at Days Inn, 2556 S. I-75 Business Loop, Grayling, Michigan.

Questions regarding this certification can be directed to the local Michigan Works! Agency, or contact: Emily McLain, Employment Services Manager @ 989-358-3102, or Linda Souva, Program Assistant @ 989-358-3132 or write to: 315 W. Chisholm, Alpena, MI 49707.

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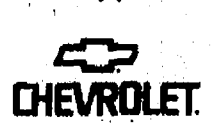

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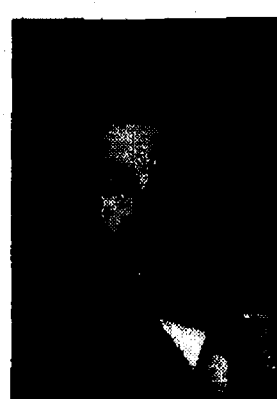
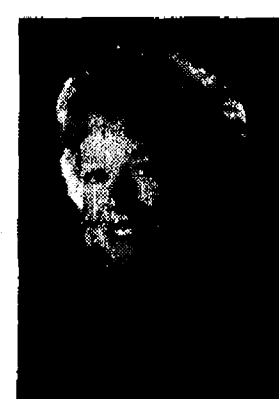

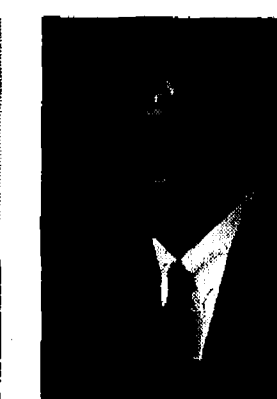


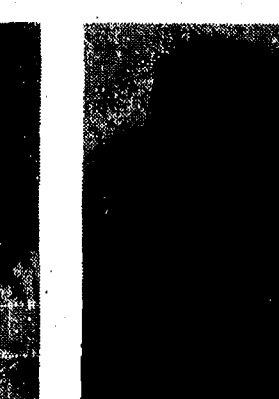
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## The Naturalist



Kay Thomas Hogan, MT, CindyDort, Owner, N.C.T.M.B.  
(not pictured) Laurie Lark, MT;  
Ray Thomas Hogan, Reflexologist

**Owner:** Cindy Dort

**Founded:** 1996, March 1st will be our 3 year anniversary.

**Principle Activities:** Massage therapy/body workers, reflexology.

**Brand of Products:** Ravenwood, Great Hill Herbs, Wags Corn Packs, BioFreeze, Soaps by S&S, Health Pointe, Aromatherapy by Diane Goodstroms, and products by local artists. Gift Certificates available.

**Specialties/Services:** Swedish Massage, Reiki, repetitive use injury therapy, Cranio-Sacral therapy, Prenatal Massage, Jin Shin Do, Ko Bi Do (acupressure facial), sports massage, therapeutic touch, stone therapy, Myofascial release, Raindrop therapy.

**Motto:** Give time for yourself today. Live today to its fullest. Give thanks to Mother Earth & Heavenly Father.

**About Us:** As a National Certified Massage Therapist and an American Massage Therapy Association member with ongoing education, The Naturalist is here to provide stress release, decrease muscle pain, increase relaxation, work with disabilities like MS, fibromyalgia, chronic pain, strokes, CP, ease back pain & headaches during pregnancy, and acupressure.



**Hours:** Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Saturday by Appointment

1419 S. Otsego  
Gaylord, MI 49735  
989-705-1451

**The Naturalist**  
Therapeutic Massage  
& Healing Arts  
Cindy Dort N.C.T.M.B.  
AMTA member

## AUSABLE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC.



L-R: Larry Ostrowski, Owner; Jacki Barnes, Office Manager;  
Bill Weaver, Owner; Billy Weaver, Superintendent.

For over 27 years, AuSable Construction has offered northern Michigan quality built projects. Being a locally owned and community oriented business has allowed our company to continue providing our customers excellence in service and craftsmanship. From the Mount Hope Lutheran Church

in the 70's, to the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library in the new millennium, and our thousands of commercial and residential projects in between, our experience speaks for itself. Contact us today for an estimate on your next project. No residential or commercial project too small!

<b>Owners:</b>	Bill Weaver, President and Larry Ostrowski, Vice President
<b>Founded:</b>	Incorporated in 1976
<b>Type of Business:</b>	General Contractor including commercial & residential building, additions, remodeling, roofing, siding, insulation, windows, garages and decks.
<b>Brands of Products:</b>	Andersen windows, Thermo-Tru doors, Norandex premium vinyl siding, etc. We can suggest and provide you with many quality products to compliment your building project.
<b>Specialties/Services:</b>	Design Build. Licensed and Insured.
<b>Professional Associations:</b>	Member of Associated Builders & Contractors, Member of North Central Michigan Home Builders Association, Member of National Association of Home Builders, Member of Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, Member of U.S. Chamber of Commerce.
<b>Community Activities:</b>	Bill Weaver is a 4-H Archery - Level 2 Instructor, Vice President of the AuSable Valley Snowmobile Association, and Vice President of Bears Bowman. Larry Ostrowski is past President of the Grayling Garden Club and a member of the Harbor Beach Association.
<b>Slogan:</b>	Our Business is Building

**AuSable**  
CONSTRUCTION

2342 Industrial Street  
P.O. Box 594, Grayling, MI 49738  
Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
(989) 348-5477  
[www.ausableconstruction.com](http://www.ausableconstruction.com)

## SAVE-A-LOT



**COMPANY NAME:** Freeman Brothers, Save-A-Lot Food Stores  
**HOURS:** 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Saturday,  
10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday

**OWNERS:** Tim, Tom, and Paul Freeman

**FOUNDED:** October 1999

**TYPE OF BUSINESS:** Retail Grocery, providing the highest quality products at a savings of up to 40% over conventional grocery store prices. Our limited assortment and quantity purchasing allows us to offer the lowest prices on groceries, fresh meat, fresh produce, frozen foods, and dairy products.

**BRANDS OF PRODUCTS:** A whole host of Private Label items with equivalent or better quality and prices and a variety of National Brand Produce, Fresh Meat, Grocery and Milk products such as Del Monte, IBP, Little Debbie, Sara Lee, and Melody Farms. Save-A-Lot's partnership with these companies provides excellent products at significantly lower prices than a conventional grocery store.

**SPECIALTIES:** Every day prices on every day items in all departments, plus Temporary and Terrific (TNT's) featuring extraordinary values on national brand products that change every week!

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:** Chamber of Commerce

**MOTTO:** Save-A-Lot, Great Food, Great Prices!

**ABOUT US:** Tim, Tom and Paul have been involved in the grocery business since childhood. Their dad, Denny Freeman, managed the Glen's Market from 1970 to 1978 before transferring to the General Offices in Gaylord. Tim, Tom and Paul, joined their dad after graduating from college, until Spartan Stores purchased Glen's Markets in 1999. In June of 1999, Tim, Tom and Paul started Freeman Family Enterprises, which included Save-A-Lot stores in Alpena, East Tawas and Cadillac. Today, they own and operate seven Save-A-Lot stores throughout Northern Michigan including the one here in Grayling, which opened in December of 2002.



L-R: Sharon Felling, Asst. Store Manager &  
Chris Harland, Store Manager

**SAVE-A-LOT**  
Great Food & Great Prices!

2333 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Grayling, MI 49738



## Bell Hearing Center

**Owner:** Edna Bell and Sheila Bell

**Hours:** Tues., Wed., & Thurs. 9 to 5; Winter Hours until April 1st 9 to 4

**Founded:** October 1996

**Type of Business:** Hearing Aid Sales and Service, Hearing Aid Specialist/Dealer

**Brands of Products:** We work with many companies.

**Specialties/Services:** Hearing Screenings and tests, hearing aid repairs, consultations, fitting of new aids.

**Professional Associations:** IHHIS - International Institute for Hearing Instruments Studies, IHAS - International Hearing Aid Society and we work with most insurance companies including Medicaid.

**Community Activities:** We visit 9 different Senior Centers throughout the year, health fairs and AFC Homes.



L-R: Sheila Bell and Edna Bell

**Motto:** Hear for you & Hearing Help is Here.

**About Us:** State certified and licensed with 22 years experience. Very friendly service by professionals who really care about your hearing health.



### BELL HEARING CENTER

2874 M-72 S.E., P.O. Box 532 • Kalkaska, MI 49646  
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## Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers



**Operator:**

Bob Wright

**Founded:**

Originally Founded by R. David Thomas in 1969, Columbus, Ohio. Became a part of Grayling in 1979.

**Type of Business:**

Fast Food Restaurant

**Brands of Products:**

Hamburgers, Fries, Chili, Hot Stuffed Baked Potatoes, Garden Sensation Salads, Frosty's

**Specialties:**

We feature the original 99¢ Super Value Menu since 1989.

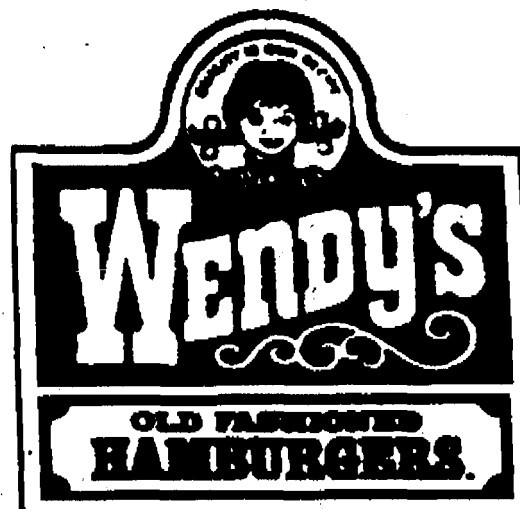
**Professional Associations:**

Sponsor for Wendy's High School Heisman Award.

**Community Activities:**

Collection point for Cell Phones for Seniors. Sponsor many local charities when asked.

**STOP IN FOR GREAT FOOD AND FRIENDLY SERVICE AT OUR NEWLY REMODELED GRAYLING LOCATION**



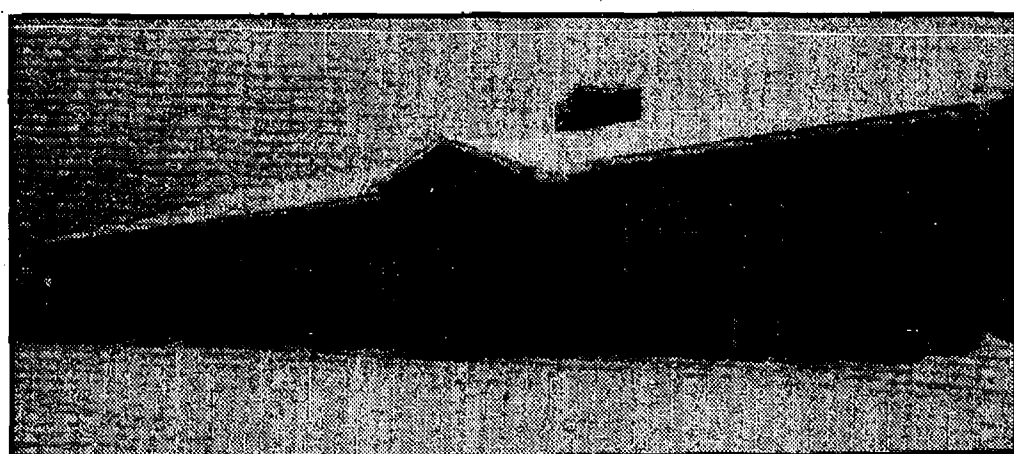
**Wendy's of Grayling**

2141 S. I-75 Business Loop

Grayling

10 to Midnight Daily

## GRAYLING CAR CARE, INC.



**Owners:** Mark and DeAnne Swiercz

**Founded:** Locally owned and operated since 1985

**Brands of Products:** Quaker State, Maxi Muffler, Interstate Batteries, All Major Brands of Oil at No Additional Charge!

**Specialties/Services:** Quick Lube Oil Change, Mufflers, Exhaust, Brakes, Tires, Transmission Flushes, Shocks/Struts, Batteries, Windshield Wipers, Radiator Drain and Fill, Alignments, Bulbs, Belts, Hoses, Starters, Alternator, Ball Joints, Tie Rods, Axle Joints and Shafts.

**Type of Business:** Fast, Friendly, and Efficient Automotive Service Facility.

**Community Activities:** This year we are excited to support a Little League Team!

**Motto/Slogan:** Come and see us for all your "Car Care" needs!



Our Team Includes: Al Wakeley, Joe Petty, Geri Johnson & Randy Bolden

**GRAYLING CAR CARE PRIDES ITSELF ON OUR EXPERIENCED, TEAM-ORIENTED EMPLOYEES. THEY ARE THE KEY TO OUR SUCCESS. WE CARRY THE LATEST EQUIPMENT AND PRODUCTS TO ENSURE YOUR VEHICLE RECEIVES THE BEST SERVICE POSSIBLE!**

## GRAYLING CAR CARE

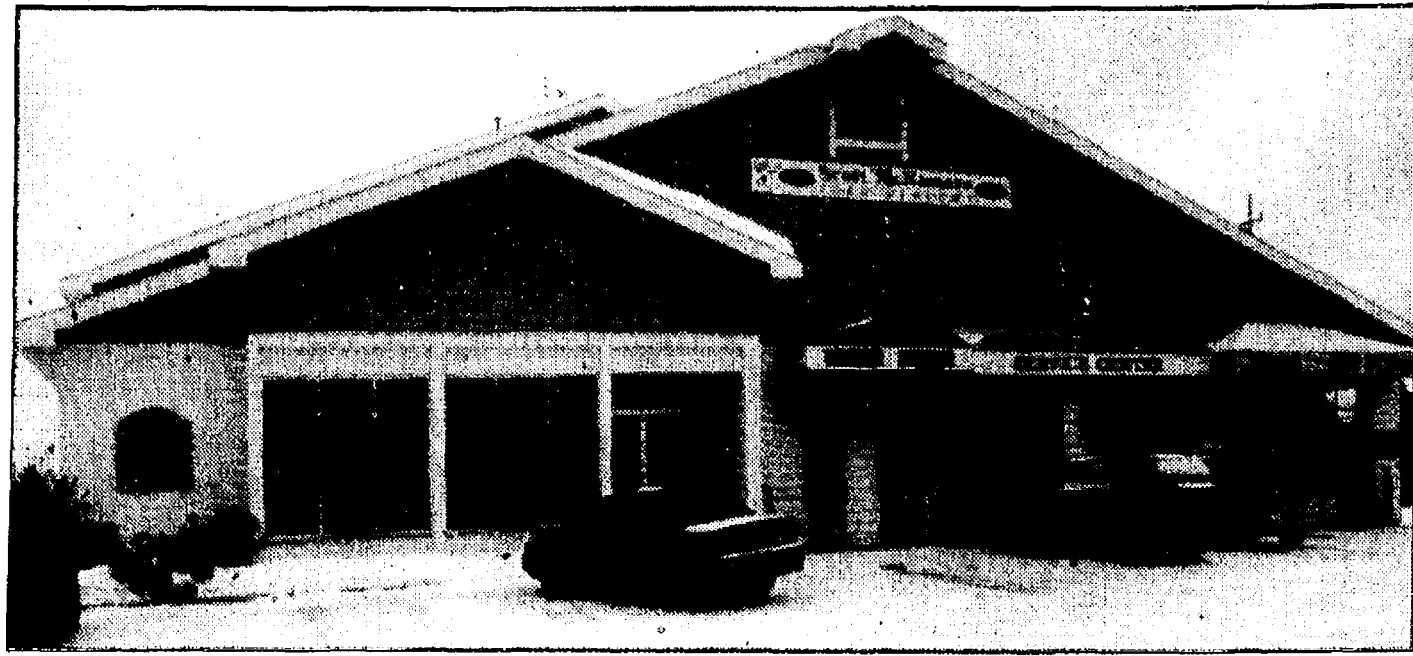
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(ACROSS FROM INDUSTRIAL DRIVE)

**HOURS:**

MON-FRI 8:30 - 5 SAT 8:30 - 12 NOON



# Scott McNamara Ford Lincoln Mercury



Scott McNamara, Grayling

**Owner:** Scott McNamara

**Founded:** Roscommon 1992 & Grayling 2002.

**Type of Business:** Ford - Lincoln - Mercury Dealership

**Brands of Products:** New Ford - Lincoln - Mercury Parts

& Service, Pennzoil 10 Minute Oil Change

**Specialties/Services:** Won Ford Motor Company's highest honor - the President's Award 3 years in a row!

**Community Activities:**

Annual Fundraiser for Riverhouse Shelter, raised \$2700 for them in 2002.

**Motto/Slogan:** "Fastest Growing Dealership in the North!"



Scott McNamara, Roscommon

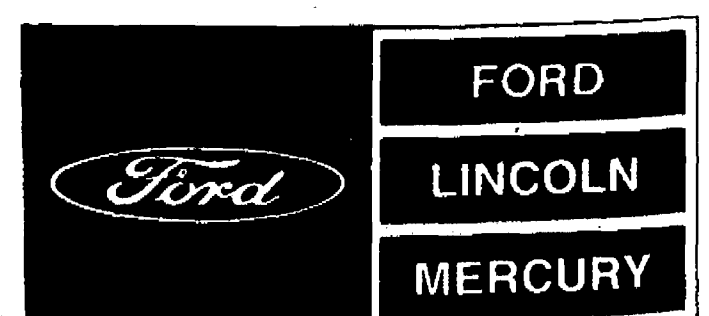


Scott McNamara

**"We're a family of lifetime employees serving a family of lifetime customers."**

Scott started out at age 15 working as a porter/car washer at a dealership in metro Detroit. After working his way up the ladder to general sales manager at age 24, he got a chance to realize his lifelong dream to own his own dealership in Roscommon in 1992. He since has purchased the Gladwin Dealership in 2000 and the Grayling Store in December, 2002. Scott has a strong commitment to customer satisfaction and has been awarded the President's Award - Ford Motor Company's highest honor for 2000, 2001, and 2002.

## Scott McNamara Ford-Lincoln-Mercury, Inc.



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(989) 426-9218

M-18 I-75 Business Loop, Roscommon

(989) 275-8922

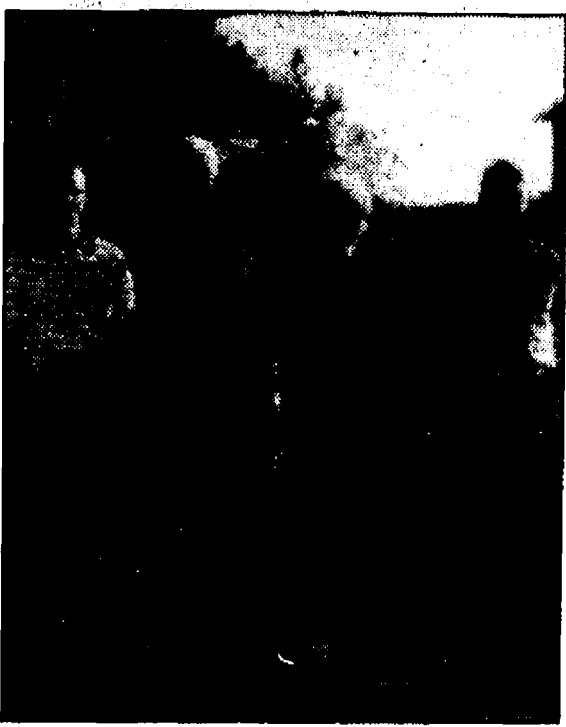


## HOLTON'S LP GAS COMPANY



**Hours:** 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
**Manager:** Lee Prince Jr.  
**Founded:** 1948  
**Principal Activity:** Residential heating and appliance sales.  
**Brands of Products:** Empire, Mr. Heater, Broil Master, Broil King, Nuway Stoves, Bradford White Water Heaters.  
**Specialties/Services:** RV/propane cylinder fill. Home delivery.

**About Us:** As of August 5th, we are now located at 1396 Milbocker Road. Come by and see us at our new location.



(l-r): Lee Prince Jr., Hans Meyer, Linda Meyer, Greg Starr, Pat Nowak (not pictured).

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LP GAS**

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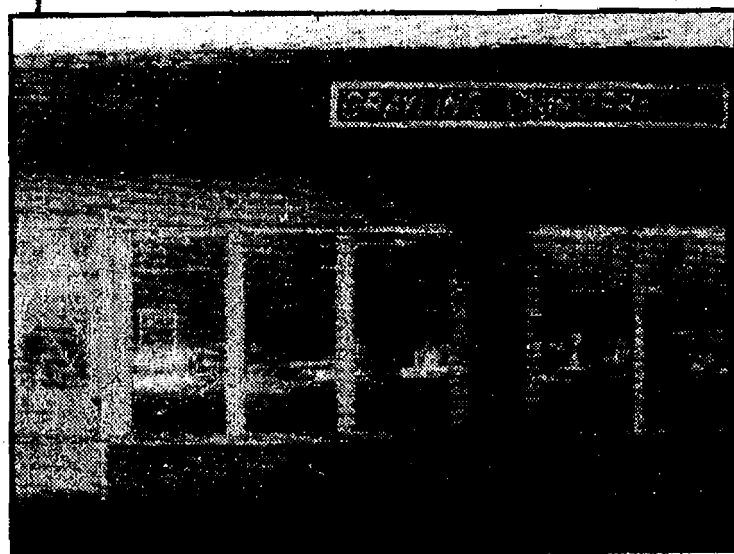
**24-HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE**

## Grayling Chiropractic Clinic

**OWNER:** ORLAND W. DAMI  
**FOUNDED:** 1985  
**TYPE OF BUSINESS:** HEALTH CARE PROVIDER  
**SPECIALTIES/SERVICES:** SPINAL TREATMENT CENTER, THERAPEUTIC NUTRITION AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE. COMFORTABLE PRE-TREATMENT THERAPY



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TIME TO GIVE YOU A  
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JUST A SECOND OPINION!



DR. DAMI HAS BEEN BRINGING RELIEF AND QUALITY CARE TO THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES SINCE OPENING HIS CLINIC 18 YEARS AGO IN GRAYLING. EMPHASIS ON CHRONIC AND DIFFICULT CASES. ALL MAJOR INSURANCES ARE ACCEPTED AND ALSO A PPO PROVIDER.

**Hours:**

Mon. - Wed. - Fri. 8:30 to 5:30

Tues. and Thurs. 8:30 to 1:00 - Sat. by Appointment

**GRAYLING CHIROPRACTIC**

Spinal Treatment Center & Therapeutic Nutrition

ORLAND W. DAMI, D.C.

**(989) 348-3128**

**208 E. Huron (E. M-72)**



## Hanson Hills Recreation Area

Hanson Hills Winter Sports Park is a mecca of winter fun offering 11 slopes for downhill skiing, 35 km of cross country terrain, ice skating, snowshoeing, tubing, horse drawn sleigh rides, lessons, rentals, and a snack bar. Two lodges provide shelter for weary winter activists and in the Main Lodge, our snack bar produces very tasty treats. Hanson Hills has a rich history of activity and controversy. Opened in 1929, it was the first downhill ski area in Michigan and the second to open in the Midwest. The "Snowtrains" brought many people to Grayling where they would board flat bed trucks for the ride to what was then called the "Grayling Winter Sports Park." The Michigan Snow Queens were crowned and honored at the annual Winter Carnival, famous for the elaborate ice sculptures built by local people. The old toboggan run was an attraction that thrilled many. Another exciting attraction was the 66 ft. ski jump that was built in 1934.



Hanson Hills was willed to the State of Michigan by Rasmus Hanson for military or recreational use and is still controlled by the State of Michigan's Military Board. It was during the time when the area was called "Bear Mountain" that great growth was seen and the ski resort had 22 slopes for downhill skiing, the "Polehedron" hotel, the "Little Smokey Railroad," and the "Fred Bear Museum" were all a big part of the excitement at what we now know as "Hanson Hills Recreation Area and Winter Sports Park." When the heirs to the Hanson Estate found private individuals making money on the property they attempted to take the land back. Their reason for the action was that the lease stipulated that the land was to be used only on a non-profit basis. The Bear Mountain Area was ordered "boarded up" in 1973 by Judge Roth. The hotel and lifts were disassembled and sold, the Fred Bear Museum, Little Smokey Railroad, the Pine Knoll Campground, the House of Flavors Ice Cream Store and Dillons' horseback riding stables all closed also.

Volunteers came forward that winter to try to keep a few hills open for children to downhill ski. It was soon after this that Grayling Recreation Authority was established as a result of a lot of volunteer work. With the cooperation of the Michigan National Guard and the State Military Board, a special law was made to allot the

"Authority" to work on a non-profit basis. The Grayling Recreational Authority (GRA) is a government "consortium," made up of representatives from Grayling Township, Crawford County, the Crawford AuSable Schools and three members at large.

In the beginning, the main goal of GRA was to maintain and run the ski operation. Now GRA has added to its priorities year round sports programs for youth and adults, and the operation of the Grayling Fish Hatchery. Year round, quality recreational activities are supported by 1/2 mil of taxes and user fees. GRA keeps prices at a minimum so as to be accessible for as many participants as possible.

Special events for year round fun include the annual Spookfest Halloween party and haunted house, the ski swap, soup dinner and open house, Family Fun Night, The Michigan Cup Marathon and Hanson Hills Classic Cross Country Ski Racers, The Winter Wolf Festival, The Fat Tire Festival and the Hanson Hills Challenge Trail Run.

Hanson Hills offers families a wonderful recreation opportunity at an affordable price. Experience "A Family Value" this winter and visit Hanson Hills Winter Sports Park! An investment you'll enjoy.

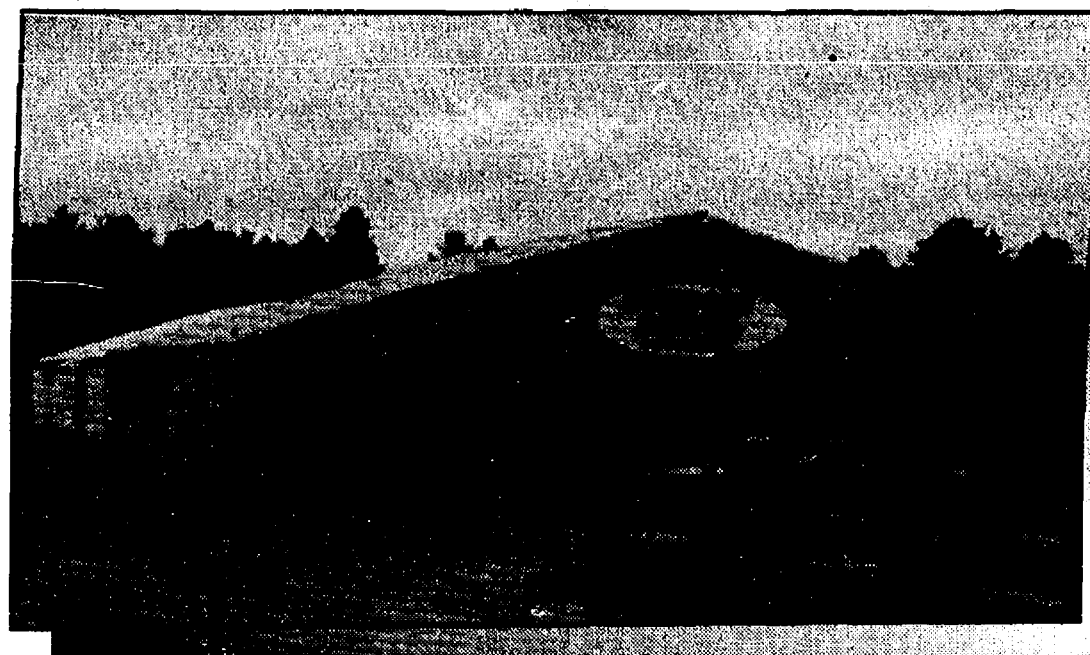
**Grayling Recreation Authority**  
**(989) 348-9266**

**hanhills@mich.com**

**HANSON HILLS**



## Comfort Center No 2 Inc.



**Owner:** Luke & Pauline & Luke II & Tammy Petrosky  
**Founded:** April 1975  
**Type of Business:** Retail Furniture & Bedding  
**Brands of Products:** Serta, Flexsteel, Lane, Best Chair Co., Marshfield, McKinley Leather  
**Specialties/Services:** Free Delivery & Set Up  
**Community Activities:** Rotary Club, K of C, ABWA, Eagles, Chamber of Commerce  
**Slogan:** We furnish the **comfort** and the **rest** is up to you!

**"Service after the Sale!" We have 48 years in the furniture business, 28 years in Grayling. We raised our family locally and our son Luke II and wife Tammy are second generation owners!**

**1-800-968-8765**

**989-348-2961**

**Grayling**

**West M-72, 1 Mile**



**Hours:**

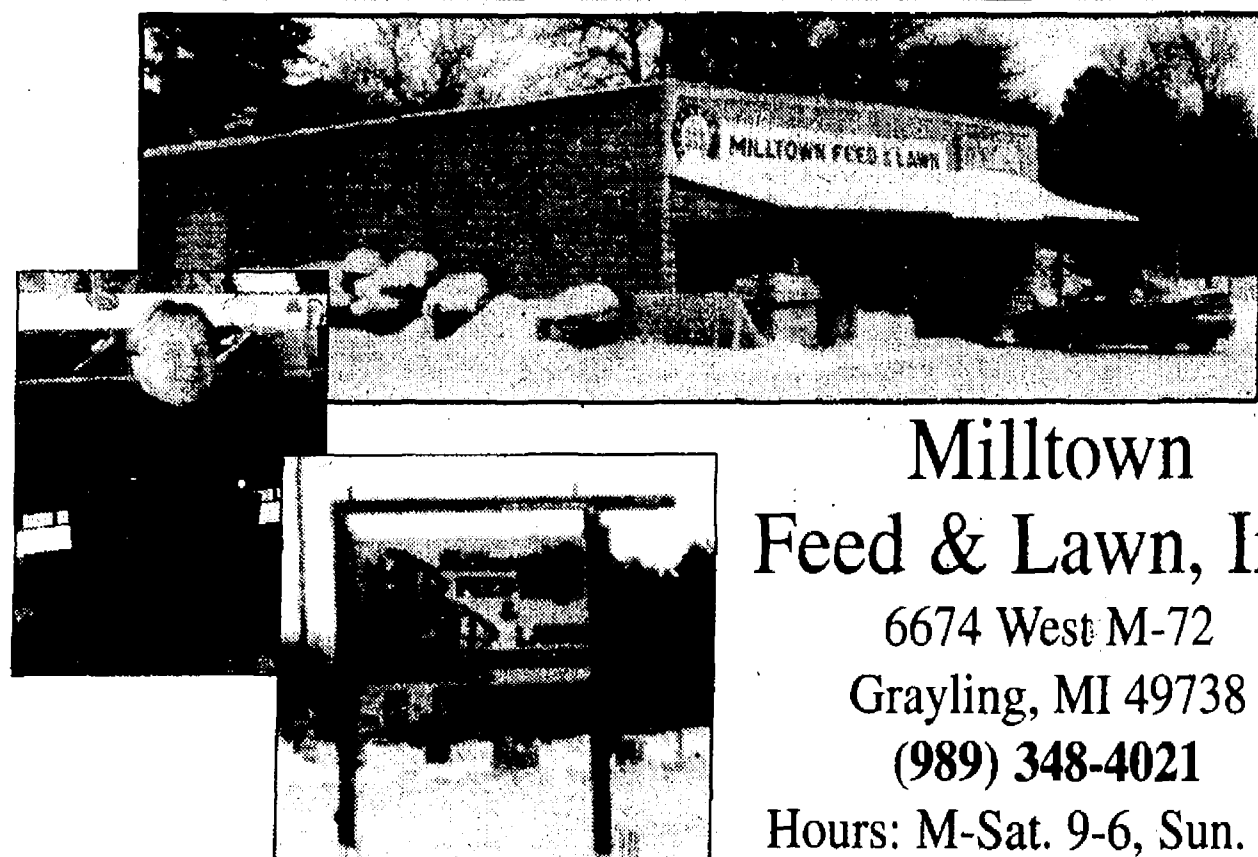
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sun 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.



## MILLTOWN FEED & LAWN, INC.



**Milltown  
Feed & Lawn, Inc.**  
6674 West M-72  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(989) 348-4021  
Hours: M-Sat. 9-6, Sun. 9-3

**Owner:** Bill McQueen

**Founded:** 1987

**Type of Business:** Lawn and Garden. Pet Shop with Fish, Birds, Reptiles, and Small Animals. Garden Area with Greenhouse Flowers, Vegetables, Trees, Shrubs, Landscaping supplies. We also deliver.

**Brands of Products:** Top quality, clean and well organized with live animals & reptiles, birds and over 50 filled fish tanks to choose from.

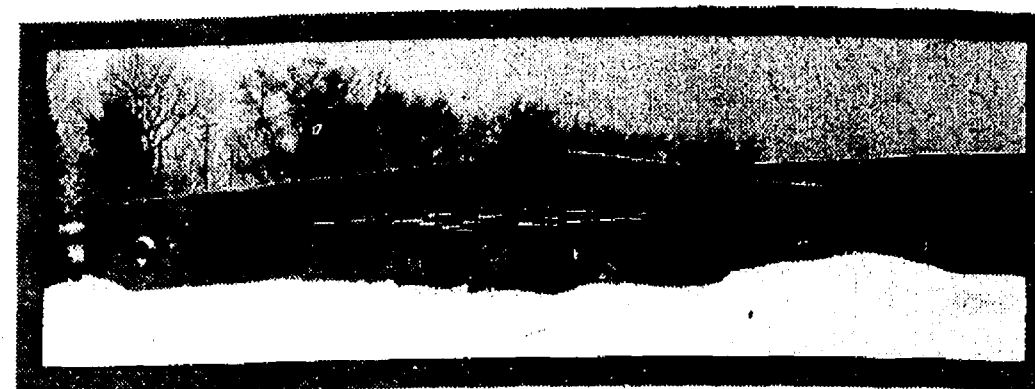
**Services:** We deliver top soil, mulch, other garden needs and will assist in answering any problems with your pets. We also maintain fish tanks in office areas and now have existing 2 - 55 gallon fish tanks in Mercy Hospital.

**Community Activities:** D.A.R.E. Programs - School Functions - Chamber of Commerce Member.

**Quote:** "We are an information store that also believes in great service and products to the customer."

**About us:** My name is Bill McQueen and I have been the owner for almost 5 years now. With the support of the community I have been able to follow my business plan as scheduled. I am a single parent of two children, which I have been raising myself for six years. I employ 3-5 people and manage to keep a good team together to offer a good quality service which I feel has kept the store in business for so long. With quality products and service existing we hope to stay around for a long time. Thank you all for your support in keeping the doors open.

## CHEMICAL BANK



**Founded:** September 1979

**Principal Activity:** Bank

**Products:** Checking, savings, loans, investments, and trust services.

**Specialties:** ChemFree checking, free financial consultation with an investment specialist, competitive loan rates, merchant services, and professional service.

**Professional Associations:** Chamber of Commerce, Junior Achievement, Tri-Lakes Home Builders, and Habitat for Humanity.

**Community Activities:** GPA, Kiwanis, and Rotary.

**Slogan:** Where to Bank Across Michigan.

**About us:** Our 128 offices cover 32 counties across Michigan with ATM machines at most locations. This feature allows customers convenient service during travel while retaining a hometown community atmosphere. Stop in to see our variety of products designed to fit your needs.



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Hours: Lobby 9-4:30 M-Th.,  
9-6 Fri.

Drive Thru 8:30-5:30 M-Th.,  
8:30-6 Fri., 9-12:30 Sat.

## Denholm Family Chiropractic P.C.

**Owner:** Dr. Craig B. Denholm

**Founded:** In Practice Since 1984

**Type of Business:** Chiropractic Health Care & Therapeutic Massage.

**Brands of Products:** Chiroflow Cervical Pillows, Standard Process and Biotics Nutritional Supplements, Sleep Well Massage Oils, Foot Levelers Orthotics.

**Specialties/Services:** We specialize in back and neck problems including: headaches, neck stiffness, pain between shoulders, low back pain, hip and leg pain. We help people that have been injured in auto and work accidents.

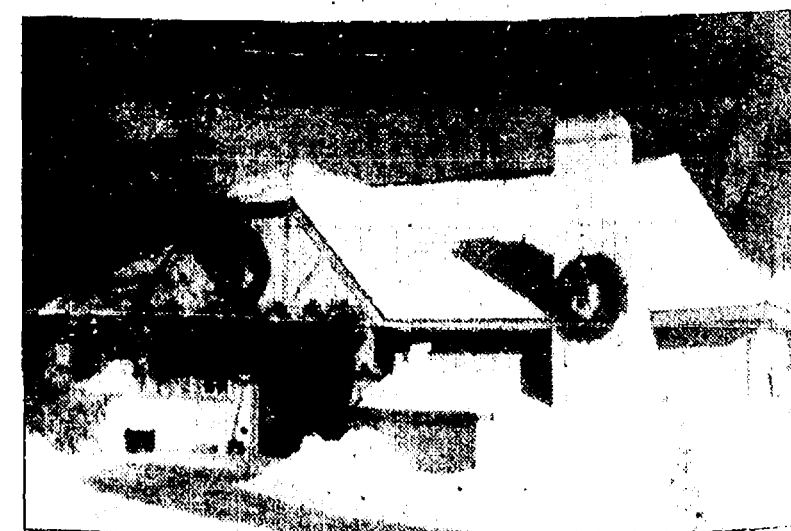
**Professional Associations:** American Chiropractic Association, Michigan Chiropractic Society, American Board of Chiropractic Sports Physicans.

**Community Activities:** Member in the Grayling Rotary, Active in Church youth activities.

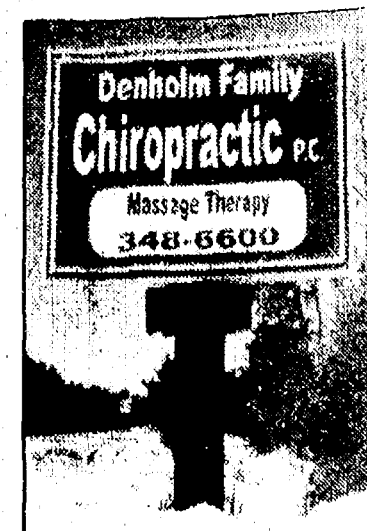
**Motto/Slogan:** Striving for excellence in natural health care for the whole family!



Back L-R, Dr. Craig Denholm, CCSP; Susan Denholm, CA;  
Front L-R, Sandi Hasson, MT;  
Veronica Easterly, CA; Toni Dunsmore, MT

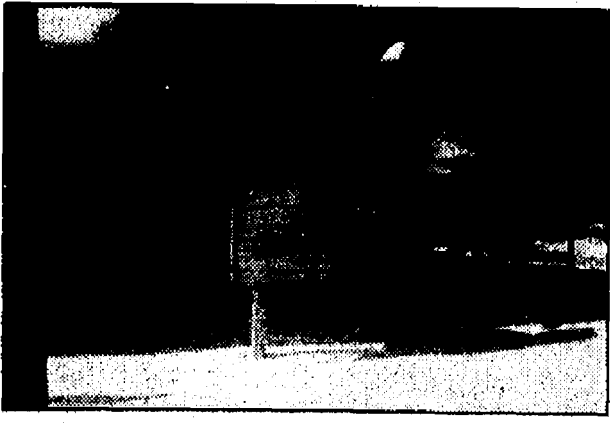


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## Toupin Chiropractic Clinics, P.C.



**Owner:** Dr. Suzanne J. Toupin  
**Founded:** Grayling - 1992 July / Lewiston 1990 February  
**Type of Business:** Low force care for the spine. Everyday wear and tear, old injuries and even stress can impair the musculoskeletal system. Over 50% of patients that go to a doctor go because of low back or neck pain. Activator Method Chiropractic Technique (AMCT) is the most widely used low force technique in chiropractic. Over 30,000 doctors world-

wide use the AMCT. The numbers speak for themselves. Call us today to try the latest advances in chiropractic.

**Brands of Products:** Memory and water cervical pillows, Nature Sunshine products, herbal, vitamins and minerals, therapeutic pain and arthritis relief creams, such as Bio-Freeze and joint gel.

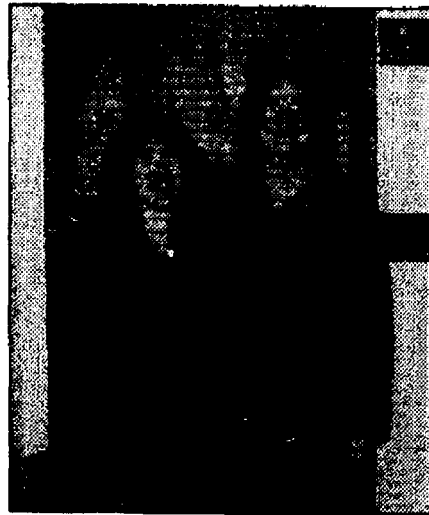
**Specialties/Services:** Contact Reflex Analysis (CRA) is a simple, safe, natural way of analyzing the body's structural, physical, and nutritional needs. Also, a computerized nutritional evaluation is used in conjunction to help in your personal nutritional program. Other Therapies Include: Relaxing Aqua massage bed and Intersegmental Traction.

**Professional Associations:** Michigan Chiropractic Society (M.C.S.), Century Club Member, American Chiropractic Assoc., American Association of University Women, Past President District 6 (M.C.S) 1996 & 1998, Special Nomination by Governor for Michigan Board of Chiropractic Examiners

**Community Activities:** Grayling and Lewiston Chamber Member, Several fund raisers for: River House Shelter, Christian Help Center, Lewiston Community Sharing, and Lewiston Best Friends. Several classes are taught at the clinics as well as various community organizations which include: Stress management, herbal and nutritional classes, Reiki - Neuromuscular Integrative Action (NIA) dance white belt instructor and many more.

**Slogan:** "We care about your health!" "How can we help?"

**About Us:** For more info, contact our web site at: [www.chiromi.com/toupinchiropractic.htm](http://www.chiromi.com/toupinchiropractic.htm) or e-mail us at: [drgrayling@i2k.com](mailto:drgrayling@i2k.com)



Melissa Beckett and Dr. Suzanne J. Toupin, D.C.

## TOUPIN CHIROPRACTIC CLINICS, P.C.

SUZANNE J. TOUPIN, D.C.



Grayling 348-4560 Lewiston 786-5288

Grayling Hours:

Mon. & Wed. 9 AM to Noon and 2 to 5:30 PM.

Tues. & Thurs. 9 AM to Noon and 2 to 4:30 PM.

## 7-ELEVEN

**Address:** 313 South James Street, Grayling, MI 49738

**Hours:** Open 24 Hours, 7 Days a Week, 365 Days a Year

**Owner:** Jacquie Smith

**Opened:** 1981 ( Jacquie Smith, owner since 1985)

**Type of Business:** 7-Eleven's are convenience stores offering long hours, easy parking, a variety of needed products for daily living at fair prices, and fast friendly service.

**Brand of Products:** Range from major labels such as Frito-Lay, Pepsi, Coca-Cola, Hershey's, Nabisco, & 7-Eleven's Name Brand products: Big Gulps, Slurpees, Roller Grill items, Nachos, Cafe Coolers and Famous 7-Eleven Coffees.

**Specialty Items:** Tracofones and airtime minutes along with phone cards by Verizon, Western Union Money Orders, Michigan Lottery & Lotto, and ATM service along with great monthly specials.

**Community Activities:** We are connected to the DARE programs, Animal Shelter, Special Olympics and other programs throughout the year.

**Awards:** This past year I was given the President's Choice Award for 2002 from our company in recognition of my efforts and activities to help, support & enhance the 7-Eleven system as well as the community. The store also has won the People's Choice Awards for best convenience store, best newsstand, best coffee, friendliest employees and best cashier for 2002 & 2001.

**Motto:** The motto we adhere to is Fast, Friendly Service 24 Hours a Day!

We try our hardest to be fast, courtesy & helpful while providing great products at fair prices and easy front door parking. If we can do it we will. The staff we have today have been here a long time so they know the customers by name and what they need, which in turn we all hope makes them feel at home and important as each one of them are. So if you haven't been in yet please do and see what we have to offer. We're here and ready to serve you.

Jacquie, Pam, Johanna, Rose, Kim, Tom, Jonathan & Roy

# Michaywé



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Open all year, the main clubhouse offers an indoor pool, sauna, and whirlpool/hot tub. The outdoor pool, pavilion, patio, deck and private beach on Opal Lake opens for the season on Memorial Day weekend. Property owners have access to all facilities.

Banquet rooms are available to the public for meetings, receptions, and special events accommodating groups of up to 150 guests. The Wildlife Saloon and Inn The Woods restaurants are open seven days a week all year. Enjoy excellent food, a beautiful view of the lake and a casual setting that welcomes you, your friends and your family.

One of the greatest elements of Michaywé is the people that volunteer their time, skills and talents to the community. The gardens, special building projects, the annual arts and crafts fair, a team in the Relay for Life...the contributions go on and on and on.

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## Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce is a not-for-profit organization with a membership base of individuals and businesses, all working together to advance the commercial, industrial, professional and financial interests in Crawford County. The work of the Chamber is supported by private investments and is independent of all government entities. A volunteer Board of Directors and President, working under the by-laws adopted by the Chamber membership guide the organization.

### 2002 - 2003 Board of Directors

#### Executive Board:

**CHAIRMAN**  
Laurie Figley - Milltown Title & Escrow  
**VICE CHAIRMAN**  
Dennis Palmer - M/T Kitchens  
**SECRETARY**  
Don Schanz - Associate Member  
**TREASURE**  
Lanice Rutter - Flowers by Josie  
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Diane Tompkins-Burtch - Diane's Car Wash

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Jeddy Hood - Flying Fish Lodge  
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Tim Zigila  
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Marianne Gosnell

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Terry Wright - Grayling Township  
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Cindy Olson - Grayling Recreational Authority  
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**City Park, 213 N. James St.  
348-2921**

**MISSION STATEMENT**  
The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce is the business and community advocate of Crawford County, focusing on the protection and advancement of economic and business development, community image, natural resources and quality of life of the region.

## J. DAP CO.

**Company Name:** J. Dap Co.

**Address:** 118 Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738

**Hours:** Mon. - Fri. 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sat. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

**Owners:** Jamie Greer, Donna O'Grady, Ann Stephenson, and Pam Fisher

**Founded:** 1989

**Type of Business:** Gift Store, JCPenney Catalog Merchant and Tuxedo Rental.

**Brands of Products:** Gift Store: Yankee Candles, Park Design Kitchen Linens, Pictura Greeting Cards, Quaker Art, and Beading Supplies.

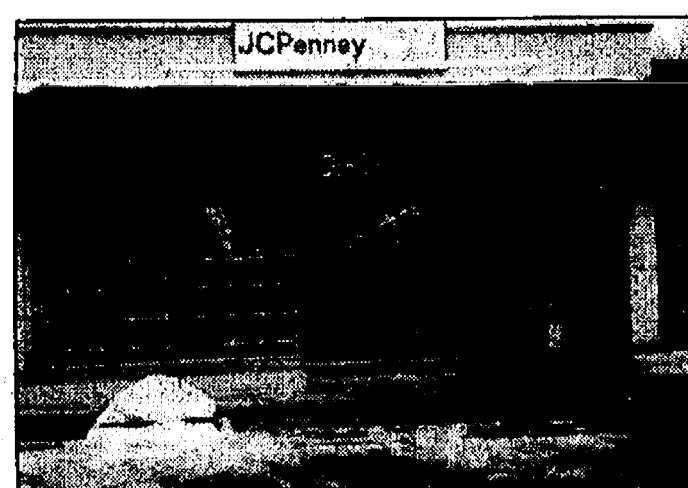
**Services:** Customer service including gift wrapping, personal shopping, and gift baskets.

**Professional Associations:** Grayling Uptown District Association.

**Slogan:** Quality Gifts at an Affordable Price.

**About us:** J. Dap Co. originated in the spring of 1989. The aspiration of four women, Jamie Greer, Donna O'Grady, Ann Stephenson and Pam Fisher, to start a business formed J. Dap Co. Housed in a building that has a long retail history are four businesses: JC Penney Catalog Merchant, J. Dap Gift Store, J. Dap Tuxedo Rental and Western Union.

J. Dap is proud to join the ranks of the fine businesses established in the Grayling area, both past and present and owe their success to the continual support of the residents of Crawford County.



## Grayling Physical Therapy

**Address:** 200 Huron, Suite 200, behind Pizza Hut, Grayling, MI 49738

**Hours:** 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

**Owners:** Pat Cosgrove PT, Roger Karsten PT, and Gus Meyjes PT

**Founded:** September 1998

**Type of Business:** Outpatient physical therapy rehabilitation for all types of musculo-skeletal and neurological injuries.

**We offer:** Outpatient treatment with emphasis on patient education to reduce symptoms and re-injury episodes. We educate each client in proper posture and safe body mechanics to reduce back and neck pain, as necessary. We provide joint mobilization and passive stretching techniques to restore full joint mobility, therapeutic exercise for improved flexibility, strength, muscle balance, and gait training. Ultrasound, electrical stimulation, heat and cold packs and mechanical traction are utilized, as needed.

**Specialties:** Pat Cosgrove is a Physical Therapist with a Masters Degree in Orthopedic Manual Therapy. He utilizes a hands on approach to soft tissue and joint injuries to improve muscle balancing, strengthening, and restoring normal joint range of motion.

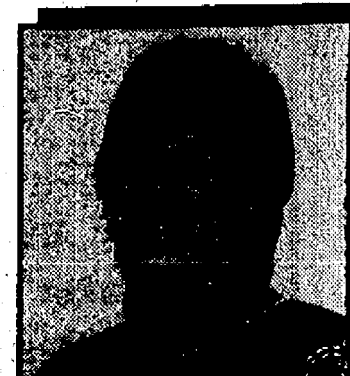
**Professional Associations:** Pat is a member of the American Physical Therapy and Michigan Physical Therapy Association. He has been a member since 1984.

**Community Activities:** Pat is a member of the Grayling Rotary Club - serving the community.

**About us:** Our caring and personable staff help us provide the Grayling community with excellent and effective physical therapy treatment. Our staff includes: Pat Cosgrove PT, board certified specialist in Orthopedic Physical Therapy, has been practicing for 19 years. Jackie Bindschatel, office manager and a PT aide; Mary Jo Cosgrove PTA, with 20 years experience; and Bonnie Piper, PT aide.



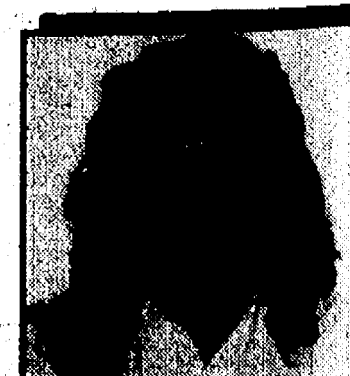
**PAT COSGROVE**  
Physical Therapist (PT),  
Master of Orthopedic  
Manual Therapy (MOMT),  
Orthopedic Certified  
Specialist (OCS)



**MARY JO COSGROVE**  
Physical Therapist Assistant



**JACKIE BINDSCHATEL**  
Office Manager/  
Physical Therapy Aide



**BONNIE PIPER**  
Physical Therapy Aide



**GRAYLING  
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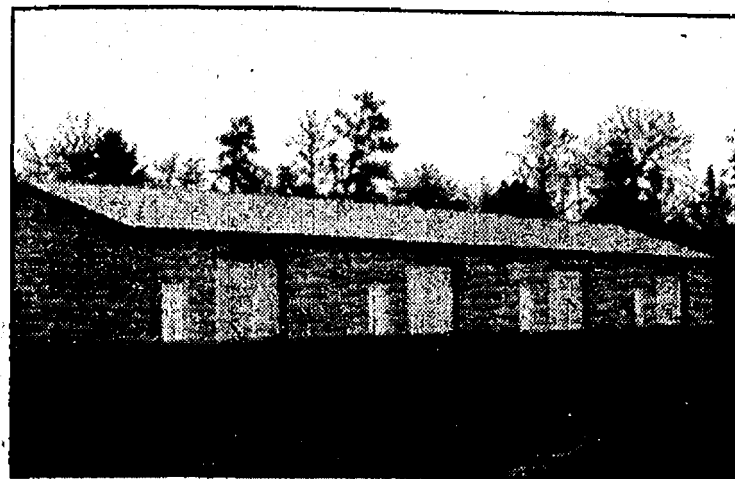
**200 Huron St., Suite 200, Grayling**  
(Located behind Grayling Pizza Hut)

**348-3027**



## JANSEN WAREHOUSING

### COMMERCIAL - PERSONAL STORAGE



#### PERSONAL STORAGE:

- Cars
- Motorhomes
- Snowmobiles
- Boats etc.

#### SPECIAL SEASONAL RATES:

October thru March

- Boats/RV's

- \$10 per running foot for the season

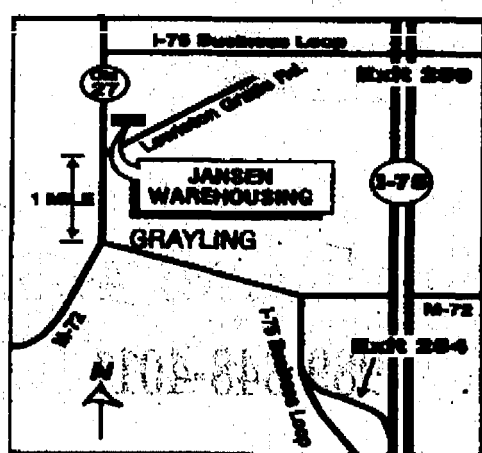
- Motorcycles - \$50

30 x 40 Units - \$300 per month

12 x 40 units - \$120 per month

#### COMMERCIAL STORAGE:

- Overflow Or Seasonal Stock
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- Commercial Storage & Warehousing Built to Suit



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## Davis Jewelers



**Company:** Davis Jewelers

**Address:** 235 Michigan Avenue, Uptown Grayling

**Hours:** 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Monday thru Saturday

**Owner:** We are Locally Owned and Operated

**Founded:** 1941

**Type of Business:** Retail Jeweler

**Products:** Alfred Levitt Wedding Collection, Artcarved Bridal, 18K & Platinum Designer Jewelry by Cordova, Kabana Inlaid Opal Jewelry, Reed & Barton Jewelry Chests, Accutron, Citizen & Pulsar Watches.

**Specialties:** Gemologist on premises, custom jewelry design and manufacture, jewelry repair and watch repair.

**Associations:** Gemological Institute of America Alumni Association, National Association of Jewelry Appraisers, Jeweler of America.

**Slogan:** "Wouldn't You Rather Say It Came From Davis."

**About Us:** You're probably familiar with the time honored store front, but have you met all the new friendly faces on the inside. Davis Jewelers is truly a "Gem" of a store right in the "Heart of Grayling" since 1941. We have a very nostalgic look on the inside, an unhurried atmosphere. Remember when people greeted you by your name and a handshake meant something. That's what we at Davis Jewelers are endeavoring to do, create satisfaction, and put the word "personal" back into service. Stop in and say "Hello" and let us know how we can be of service to you.

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## MERCY AMICARE

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**MERCY HEALTHCARE  
AT HOME**  
A member of Trinity Health



Mary Beth Brady, Spiritual Care/  
Bereavement Coord. and Faith Stripe



Barbra Ressler and  
Paul Drew, Physical Therapist

**About Us:** Mercy Amicare Homecare & Hospice was first founded in 1985 when Trinity Health Services, then Mercy Health Services, realized that people received health care in a variety of settings other than the hospital. Over time, home care would include skilled hospice and private duty services. Skilled care is ordered by physicians to assist individuals back to optimum independence after they have experienced a sudden change in health. Hospice provides comfort care to people with life limiting illness in their place of residence. Private duty provides individuals who need support care (homemaking; home aide) the assistance to stay in their own home.

The staff providing care have ongoing specialized training. we care about you, we focus our quality on you, and we respect that we are guests in your home.

**Homecare Services Include:** Skilled Nursing, IV Therapy, Home Health Aides, Social Work, Nutrition, Speech, Physical, Occupational, and Enterostomal Therapy.

**Hospice Services Include:** Skilled Nursing, Social Work, Home Health Aides, Trained Volunteers, Spiritual Support, Bereavement Counseling, Respite Care, Pain and Symptom Management, and Emotional Support.

**Mercy Healthcare At Home Offers:** Companionship, Light Housekeeping, Home Health Aides, and Nursing Services.

**Community Activities:** Chamber of Commerce member, participation in community health by offering blood pressure/sugar screening, educational presentations, bereavement support groups, and annual memorial service. Facilitates Crawford County Alzheimer's Support Group.

**Professional Associations:** National Association of Home Care, Michigan Hospice & Palliative Care Organization.

*We serve together at Trinity Health, in the spirit of the Gospel, to heal body, mind and spirit, to improve the health of our communities and steward the resources entrusted to us.*

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# Otsego Memorial Hospital

## OTSEGO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

**Founded:** 1951

**Principle Activity:** Meeting the health needs of Gaylord and surrounding communities.

**Motto:** *Good Health Starts Here.*

**About Us:** Otsego Memorial Hospital has continued to grow and pursue excellence with its community. With 87 beds, OMH medical staff serves 1,800 in-patients each year and more than 45,000 out-patients. The hospital employs more than 400 people, 90 of which are medical staff. The Hospital main switchboard can be reached at (989) 731-2100.

## OTSEGO MEMORIAL MEDCARE WALK-IN CLINIC

**Founded:** 1992

**Principle Activity:** Treating minor injuries and illnesses.

**A service of:** Otsego Memorial Hospital

**About Us:** Between 30 and 50 patients are seen each day at Otsego Memorial Hospital's MedCare Walk-In Clinic. Located at 1996 Walden Drive, off Old 27 South, the clinic is staffed with medical personnel to see patients who need immediate attention. No appointment is necessary. The MedCare Walk-In Clinic can be reached at (989) 731-4111.

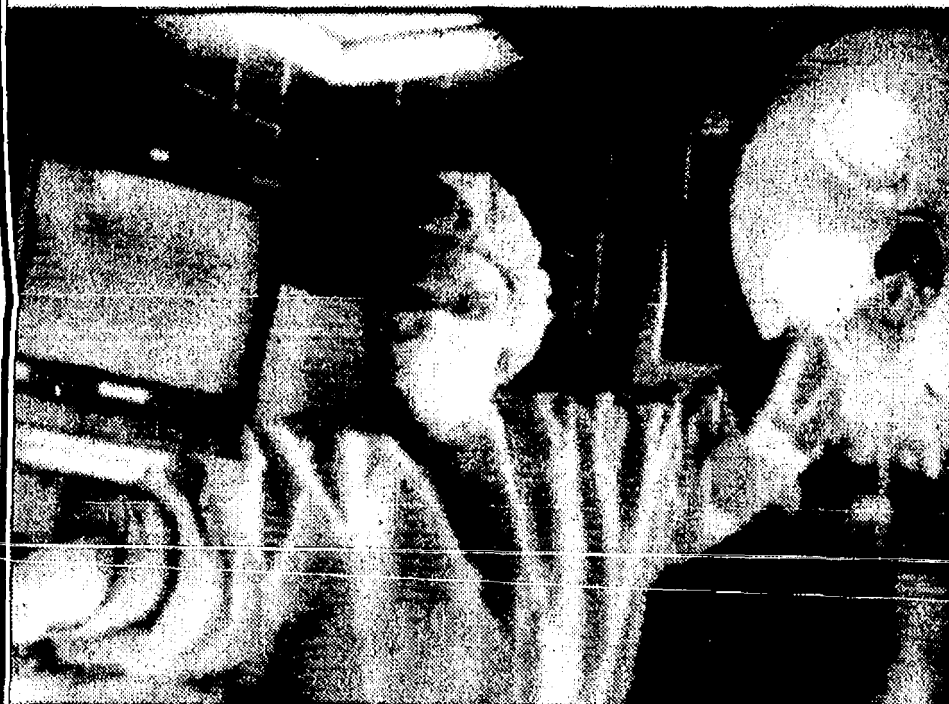
## OTSEGO MEMORIAL PHYSICIAN SERVICES

**Founded:** 1951

**Principle Activity:** Providing specialized medical expertise to meet the health needs of the community.

**A service of:** Otsego Memorial Hospital

**About Us:** Otsego Memorial Hospital offers physician services in a variety of areas, including Family Practice, Pediatrics, Oncology, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Internal Medicine and Integrative Medicine. Many of these providers are located in the Hospital's new 37,500-square-foot Professional Medical Building, which houses 15 physicians. Call (989) 731-2300 for a physician referral.



*Good Health Starts Here.*



## OTSEGO MEMORIAL SHARED CARE

**Founded:** 1989

**Principle Activity:** Providing medical equipment and respiratory therapy for home use.

**A service of:** Otsego Memorial Hospital

**About Us:** The goal of Shared Care is to enable people to live independently even though they may have health restrictions. Shared Care offers free delivery and emergency service 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Its products include wheelchairs, oxygen therapy, hospital beds and ambulatory aids and more. Shared Care is located at 309 North St. Shared Care can be reached at (989) 732-0656.

## OTSEGO MEMORIAL MCREYNOLDS HALL

**Founded:** 1964

**Principle Activity:** Restoring health and encouraging independence by providing short term rehabilitation and long term care.

**A service of:** Otsego Memorial Hospital

**About Us:** An extended care facility, McReynolds Hall is licensed for 34 beds and is designed to provide an array of services to the people and families of Otsego and surrounding communities. McReynolds Hall is at 825 N. Center Ave. behind the Hospital. McReynolds Hall can be reached at (989) 731-2131.

## OTSEGO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

**Founded:** 1976

**Principle Activity:** Raising funds and soliciting financial support for Otsego Memorial Hospital.

**A service of:** Otsego Memorial Hospital

**About Us:** The Otsego Memorial Hospital Foundation contributes approximately \$50,000 in grant funding to the Hospital each year. These funds go toward equipment and programs to further the health of the Gaylord and surrounding communities. The Foundation's main fund-raiser is its annual golf outing, which raised \$25,000 this year. The Foundation can be reached at (989) 731-2342 or at 825 N. Center Ave.



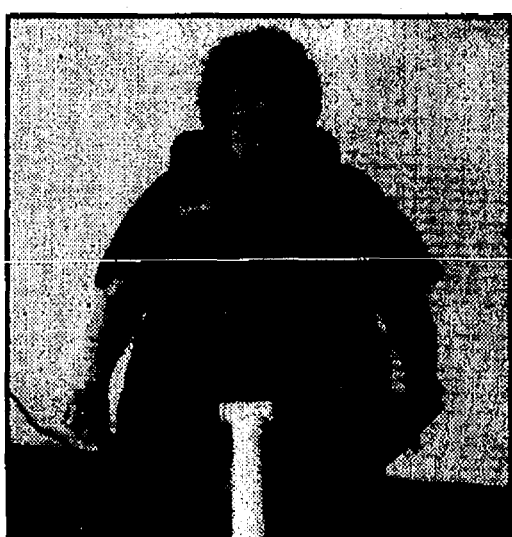
# Curves



Owner: Tracey & Madison Leonard 2 yrs. old



Kasandra Grant  
Regional Manager



Lisa Schiesler  
Fitness Tech.

**Our Story:** We have been involved with Curves for 5 years, bringing the first Curves to Michigan in 1998. Now operating in 13 locations. We travel Michigan as a family with children Spencer 4, Madison 2, and Devin on the way!

**Curves Business:** Fitness and Weight Loss Program. Specialized for Women.

**Curves Products:** Curves Supplements, Vitamins and Nutritional Products.

**Curves Services:** Cardiovascular and Strength Training. Specialize in 30 Minute Workout and Weight Loss Guidance and Promoting a Healthier Lifestyle for Women.

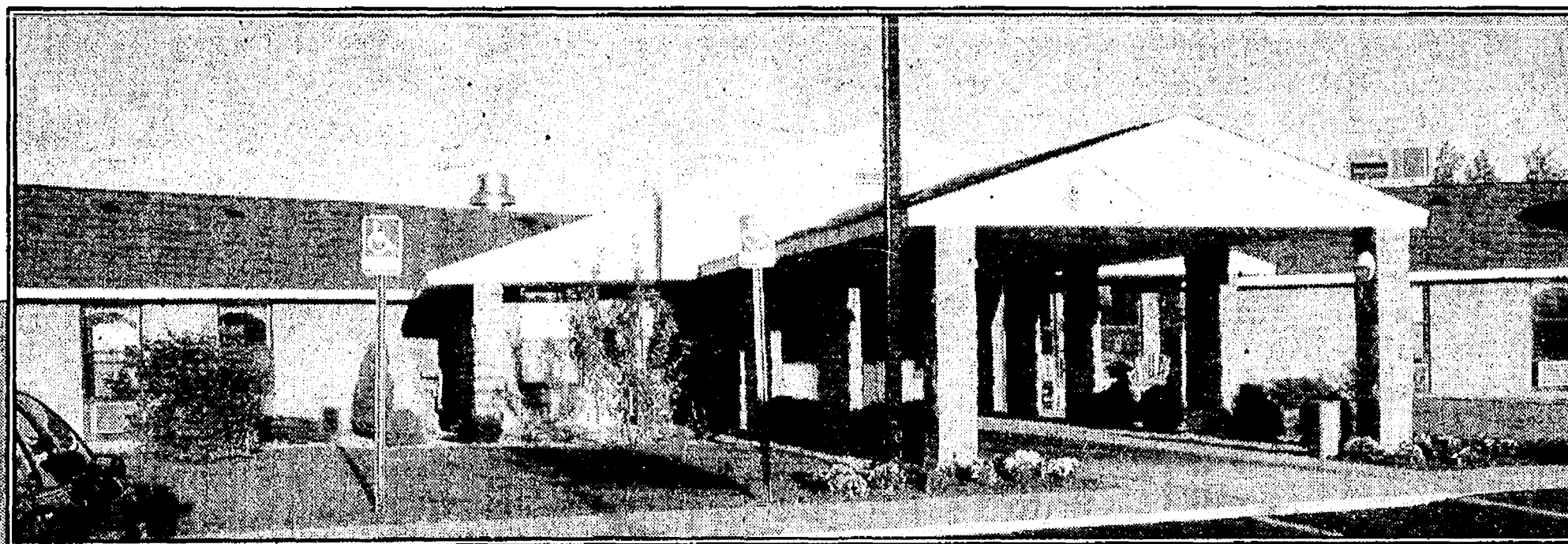
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## Grayling Nursing Centre



**Company Name:** Grayling Nursing Centre  
**Address:** 331 Meadows Drive, Grayling, MI 49738 • (989) 348-2801  
**Hours:** 24 Hours a day skilled Nursing Care  
**Owners:** Community Centre Group, Marilyn Heard, Executive Director  
**Founded:** New ownership on October 1, 1999  
**Principal Activity:** 24 Hour Nursing Care, Nursing Facility  
**We offer:** Complete care for the elderly, and those needing rehab therapies after illness or surgery.  
**Specialties:** Daily planned activities to stimulate the mind, body and spirit. Planned therapeutic meals, 24 hour nursing care, physical, occupational and speech therapy, and support group for Alzheimer's disease.  
 We accept Veterans, BCBS, Medicare, Medicaid and other private insurances.  
**Professional Associations:** Member of Grayling Chamber of Commerce, Senior Companion Program and Health Care Association of Michigan.  
**Community Activities:** Participate in American Cancer Society Events, Alzheimer Association events. Location of the 2003 Crawford County Relay for Life Event for American Cancer Society.  
**Slogan:** Professional Care, Personal Caring  
**About us:** In 1999 the facility was purchased by Community Centre Group. A complete renovation of the facility was completed in 2002. Family satisfaction surveys completed every year with scores of 95% to 100% satisfaction. Compliant with State and Federal surveys, rules and regulations.





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**Charlene Scheer**  
*Broker/Owner*

Has 14 years of real estate experience. Charlene is a Limited Real Estate Appraiser, ABR, CRB, CRS, and GRI and has earned the 100% Club, Executive Club, President's Club and has a business background.

"Expect the best service and satisfaction. Our designations qualify us to provide you with the best Real Estate Service." Charlene also enjoys working with the public and strives in customer satisfaction.

Email: charlene@freeway.net.



**Craig Hinkle**  
*Broker/Owner*

Has 24 years of real estate experience. Craig is a State Licensed Appraiser, has achieved the Platinum Club Award in 1998-2002, and has been #3 in transactions in 1998 and in 2002 for Re/Max Agents regionally. Craig has a background in finance, investment & appraisal through classes at Central Michigan University.

"Congratulations to the sales & support staff at Re/Max of Grayling, we experienced our best year in 2002. I believe this was coupled by favorable interest rates and our agents local market knowledge."

Email: cehinkle@hotmail.com



**Fred Fisher**  
*Sales Associate*

Has 1 year of real estate experience. He has won the Re/Max President Club Award.

"As the most recent addition, I believe my fresh enthusiasm combined with the expertise of the finest brokers, agents, and support staff in the county make Re/Max of Grayling the winning team."

Email: FredTFisher@remax.net

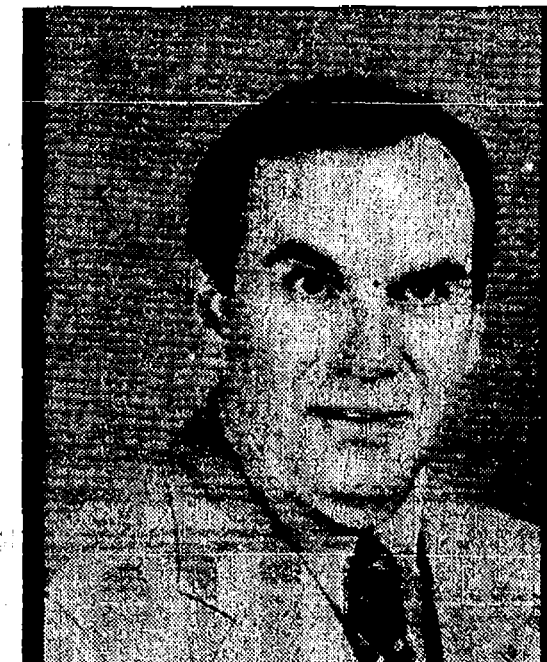


**Tom Slavens**  
*Sales Associate*

Has 6 years of real estate experience.

"See me for your real estate needs."

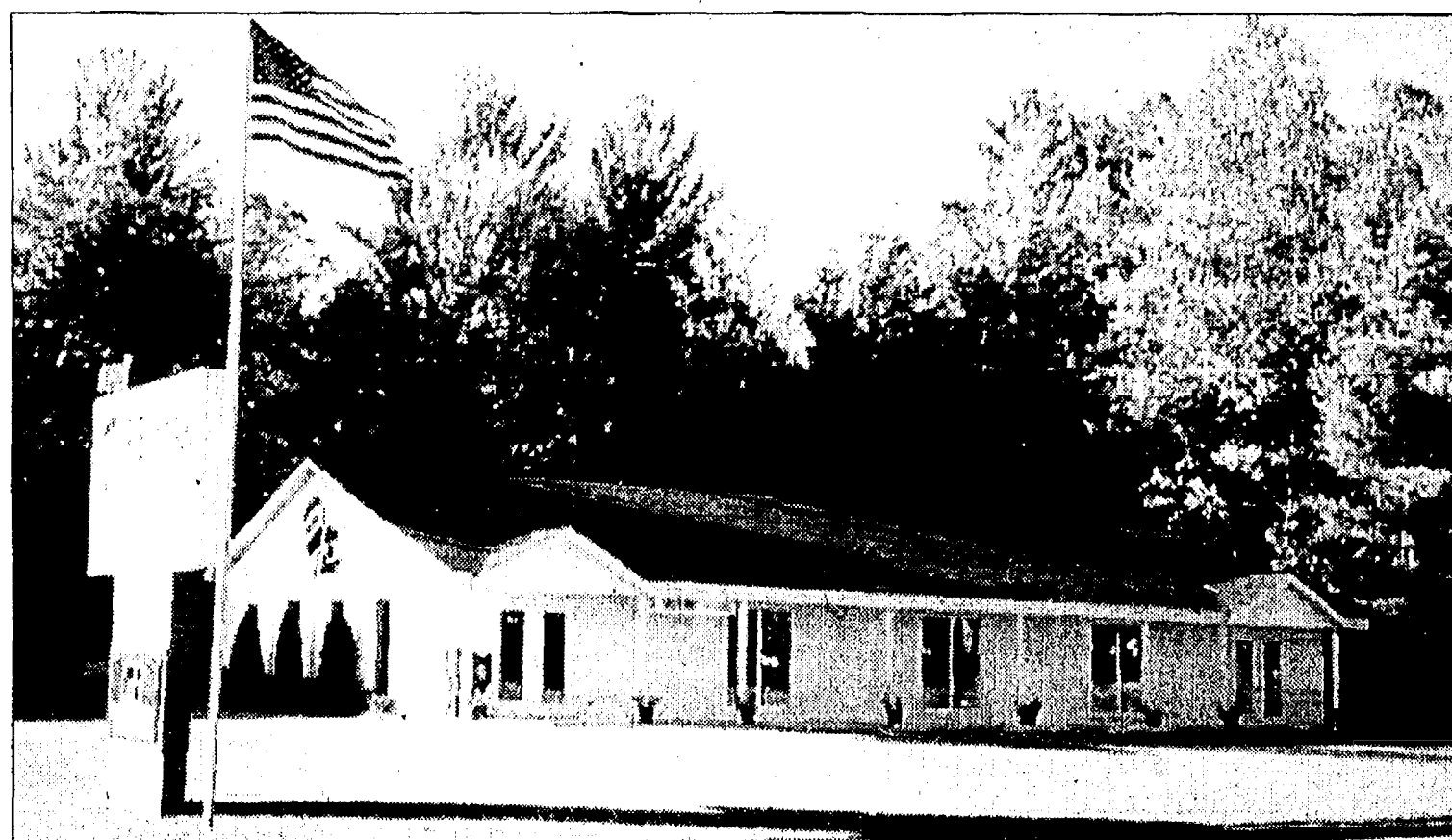
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**Gary Boyd**  
*Associate Broker*

Has 10 years of real estate experience. He has received the Re/Max Executive Club Award for 5 years and the Re/Max 100% Club Award for 2 years. Gary is also a graduate of Clio High School and attended Ferris State and Flint Jr. College with a major in Business Administration

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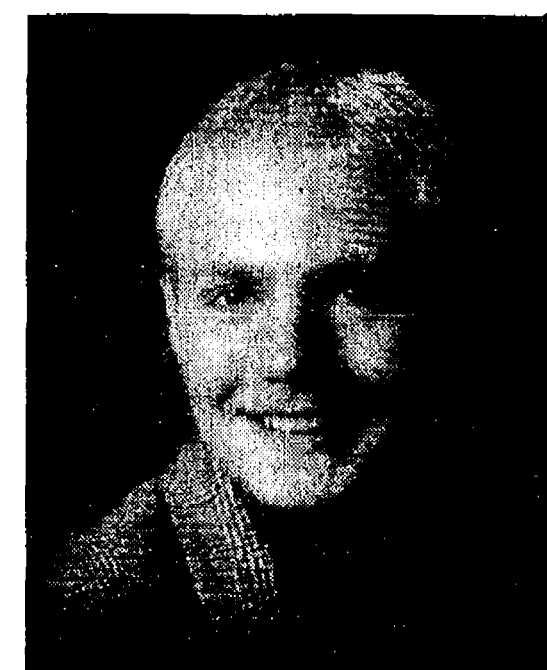


**Kelly Millikin**  
*Licensed-Executive*

*Assistant to Craig Hinkle*  
Has 8 years of experience. She has attended Davenport College to achieve Marketing & Accounting experience.

"I have grown up in the business and have been at Re/Max since High School and every year gets better. Congrats to the Re/Max team."

Email: jax@freeway.net



**Bryan Stoutenburg**  
*Executive Assistant*  
*to Charlene Scheer*

Has 4 years of experience. He has an Associates of Science background. Bryan believes in fair & competitive business across the entire playing field.

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# Davenport University



(l-r): Tom Miller, Terri Lukshaitis, Nadia Washburn, Sheila Simpson, Lynn Seelye-Sparks and Karen Aune.

**Hours:** Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**Manager:** Sheila Simpson, Coordinator  
**Founded:** Grand Rapids - 1866; Gaylord - 1994  
**Principal Activity:** Higher education programs including Certificates, Associate's, Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in business, health and technology. Courses offered on-campus at the University Center at Gaylord or online.  
**Classification:** Private, Non-profit, Four-Year University.  
**Specialties/Services:** Open Admission. On-site advising and one-on-one counseling. Complete financial aid services. Faculty who work in the fields they teach.  
**Community Activities:** Alpenfest, Gaylord Community Schools Adopt-A-Class, Otsego County Sportsplex Sponsor, Boyne Falls Polish Festival.

**Motto:** Make a Living, Make a Life, Make a Contribution.

**About us:** Whether you're just starting out, or making plans to go back to school, Davenport University can help with degree programs at all levels available in Gaylord or online. Choose from Accounting Information Management, Applied Business, Business Professional Studies, Computer Networking Technology, Entrepreneurship, Management, Systems Application Development and many others. Our tiered programs let you earn your Certificate, Associate's or Bachelor's Degree and then apply those credits to the next higher degree - and transferring credits from the work you did elsewhere helps speed you along.

One of 30 Davenport locations in Michigan and Indiana, Davenport University - Gaylord offers the opportunity to build a college career that fits you. Your schedule. Your interests. Your career goals. Classes are offered locally in the evenings or online to fit your busy schedule and every Davenport program is designed to deliver the practical, marketable skills you need to make your future brighter. So, you don't just get a degree at Davenport, you get to reinvent you.

Stop by our office at the new University Center at Gaylord or contact Sheila Simpson at **705-3720** or **888-352-5191**.

For more information, visit us online at [www.davenport.edu](http://www.davenport.edu).



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## HOLIDAY INN of Grayling

### *Proud of the past...*

Built in 1972, Holiday Inn has long been a Grayling landmark, greeting visitors to the area as they enter our community. Holiday Inn has always been involved with the community, participating in numerous local organizations, events and fundraisers. When present owners Ralph and Zuhair Ayar purchased Holiday Inn in 1997, they pledged to continue to uphold the outstanding reputation established during the hotel's first 27 years, supporting the local community and providing only the best of service to all guests of the facility.



### *... focused on the future.*

The Holiday Inn staff looks forward to meeting the needs of everyone who walks through our doors. Guests will enjoy a relaxing stay in one of our 151 clean, comfortable rooms. Families will find fun in our Holidome, whether it be in our indoor pool, kiddie pool, whirlpool or sauna. Kids love the indoor playground and kids of all ages can take advantage of our game room and indoor activities. The Crawford Station Restaurant serves breakfast, lunch and dinner in a casual northern atmosphere. At the end of the day unwind in the Speak Easy Saloon, dancing to the tunes of live entertainment. Golf, canoe and weekend packages are available.

Holiday Inn is proud to be an integral part of the Grayling community, and looks forward to serving the area for many years to come. We are pleased to welcome visitors to the Grayling area and strive to make every stay an enjoyable experience.

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# Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty



*& Houghton Lake*



**Location:** 2003 S. I-75 Business Loop, Grayling.

**Hours:** Monday-Saturday 9 am - 5:30 pm & Sunday by appointment only.

**Owners:** Kevin & Laurie Jamison.

**Founded:** 1950's as Cornell Realty, Franchised in 1999.

**Classification:** Real Estate Sales.

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**Motto/slogan:** "We're All About Up North!"

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# Hart Pontiac GMC Buick

**Owners:**

Bill and Tim Hart

**Founded:**

August 1, 1998

**Type of Business:**

General Motors New  
Car Dealership

**Brands of Products:**

Pontiac, Buick,  
GMC Trucks

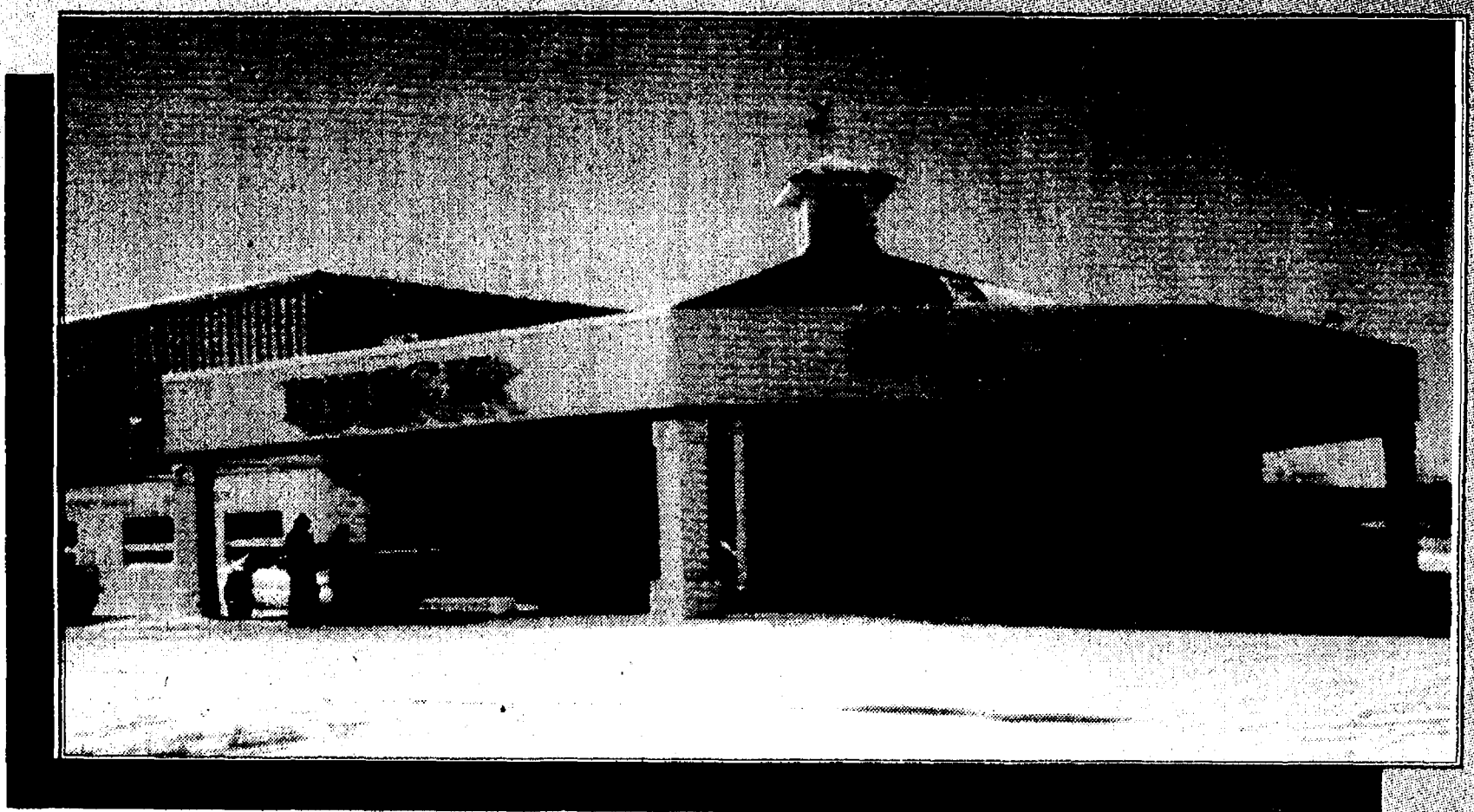
**Specialties/Services:** Automotive Service, Sales, and Leasing.

Walk in service, no appointment necessary. Excellent Service!

**Community Activities:** West Branch Chamber Director, AuSable  
River Canoe Marathon Sponsor, Triple Crown Recreation Authority  
Major Sponsor. Grayling Chamber of Commerce Members.

**Professional Association/Awards:** General Motors 2002 Mark of  
Excellence Winner in all 3 Divisions.

**Motto/Slogan/Quote:** Our Service and Professionalism Sells Our  
Cars.



**About Us:** Bill is married to Vickie Larson and they have two children, Eric 18, and Andrew 13. They are members of the Grayling Free Methodist Church. Tim is married to Jan Henderson and they have one child, Timothy II 22 months old.



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# Scheer Motors

**Owner:**

Brad Scheer

**Founder:**

Bill Scheer

**Type of Business:**

Your only original, locally owned & operated car dealership with, new & used cars and trucks. Full mechanical & body repair facilities.

**Brands of Products:**

Chevy, Olds, Cadillac, Buick, Pontiac, Chrysler, Dodge & Jeep

**Community Activities:**

Chamber Member, Annual Sponsor of Athena Award, Milltown Festival Car Show Sponsor, and AuSable River Marathon Sponsor.

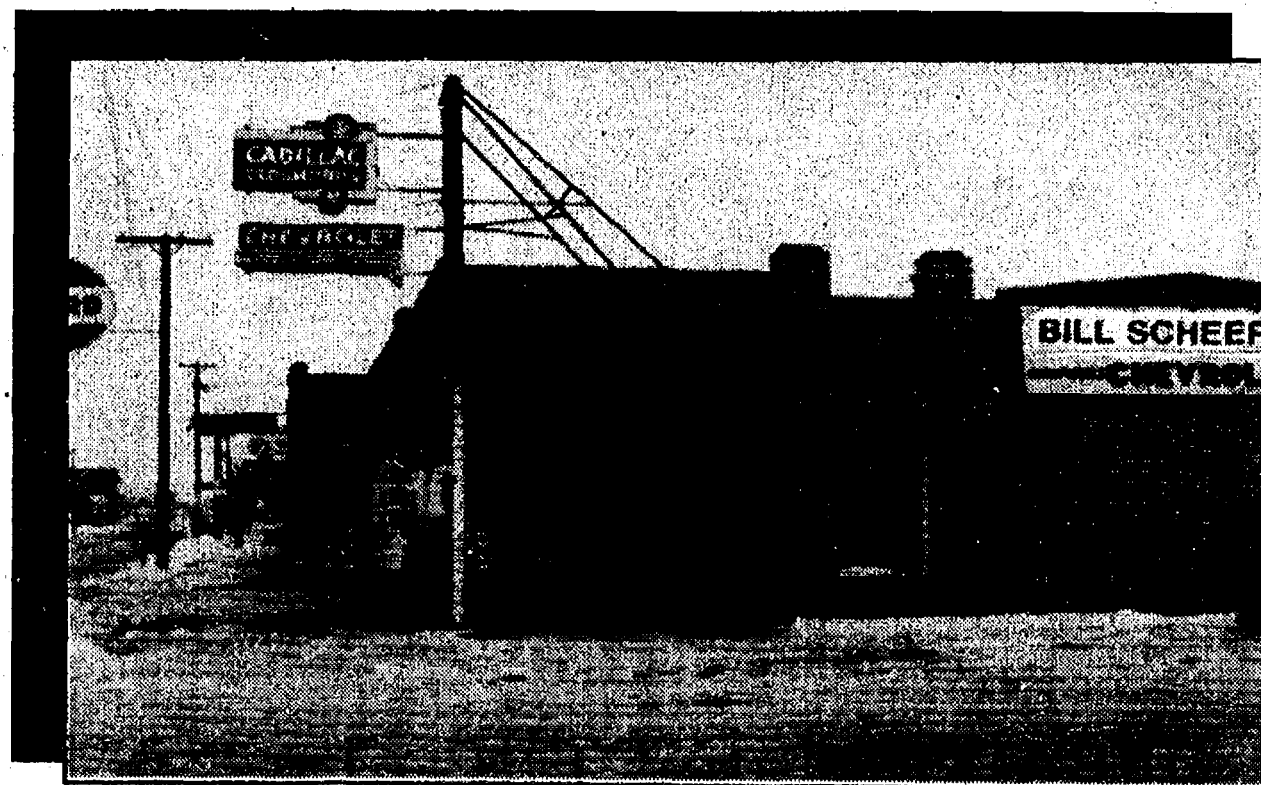


Scheer Motors is a hometown family dealership founded in 1965. The original dealership was located at the current site of Blockbuster Video until 1972 when it moved to its present location. Since then it has gone through many expansions and renovations but has never lost its hometown roots.

We have sold over 20,000 cars and trucks over the years and we are very proud to say that approximately 98% of what is paid to Scheer Motors goes back out in the form of wages, expenses and other costs of sales.

When you deal in your hometown you are keeping your hard-earned dollars at work for your local community. And by the way, we pledge to do our part by beating the price of any or all out-of-town dealers. Just give us a chance to prove it and you'll be helping out Grayling at the same time! We also pledge to give you special hometown attention when it comes to service. We have all the factory tools and training we need. Our high GM and Chrysler Service Satisfaction scores prove that we are committed.

Please accept our heart felt Thanks to all of our customers and please allow us to invite you to let us prove that we can and will save you money. Remember, it's a win-win situation for all of us when you deal right here in Grayling.



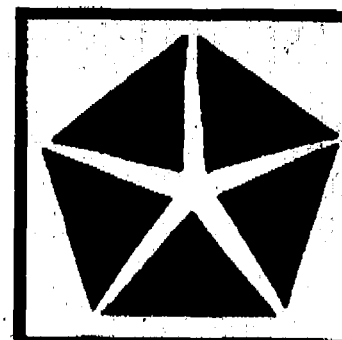
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